

Taylor's Crossing Public Charter School

Regular Board Meeting Minutes 03-13-2019

Those in attendance:

Superintendent Wendt, Assistant Principal Kolsen, Financial Director Toop, Board Clerk Sterzick

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL – Determine if a Quorum is Present

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| Board Chairman Rice | Excused |
| Board Vice-Chairman Taylor | Present |
| Board Secretary Montgomery | Present |
| Board Treasurer Capener | Present |
| Board Member Radford | Present |
| Board Member Cardon | Present |
| Board Member Andersen | Present |

III. PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Board Member Andersen

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone participated in the Pledge

V. TCPCS SLOGAN

The slogan was read by Superintendent Wendt

VI. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Action Item

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary to move Action Item 3., Correction of October 17, 2018, Board Meeting Minutes, to the Consent Agenda and then approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Board Treasurer Capener. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA – Action Item

1. Pay Bills

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

February 13, 2019 Work Session Minutes

February 13, 2019 Board Session Minutes

October 17, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes as corrected

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer Capener to accept Consent Agenda: 1. Pay Bills and 2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Member Andersen. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

IX. PRESENTATION ITEMS – Information Items

1. Student Body Report (0:05)

Victoria Gruwell, Student Body Vice-President, stated that the student officers have done a good job with their goals. She reported on school activities which have included a bake sale, earning money for the prom, winter games (which was fun), and a talk show. More events are planned; one each month.

Prom will be held April 11, 2019 at The Venue in Rigby.

2. PFA Report (0:05)

President Frew was happy to report that the total amount earned on the sale of value cards was just under \$4,000. Ideas for using the funds include putting friendship benches near the playground which are to help encourage students to include anyone sitting on the bench in their activities. Another idea is to provide students with headphones for use during testing to help prevent distractions.

Upcoming events include Parent/Teacher conferences, Administrative Professionals Day, Teachers' Day in May, a book sale, and fun fair.

3. Curriculum Presentation (0:15)

It is easy to see Mrs. Cantor's passion for teaching Spanish to her junior and high school students. She believes everyone should learn a second language. A second language will drop prejudices as well as help someone entering the job market. The testing scores from the 2018 AAPPL Exams were presented to the board. Her students did very well.

Students learn conversational Spanish through pictures, movie clips, stories, games, music, and food.

Board members Montgomery and Taylor both expressed their appreciation for the language skills their children have received in her classes.

X. ACTION AGENDA – Action Items (0:10)

1. Board Policy 2440 – Alternative Credit Options

Will the Board approve Policy 2440 – Alternative Credit Options?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Montgomery to approve Policy 2440 – Alternative Credit Options. The motion was seconded by Board Member Cardon. Superintendent Wendt reviewed the adjustments made in the Policy as directed in the February meeting. A clarifying sentence will be added to the Policy regarding fees paid by a parent or guardian for independent study courses. It was also decided to remove the restriction that only

juniors and seniors be allowed to use the independent study program. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

2. Adoption of Grade 7 Novel “Dragonflight” by Ann McCaffrey

Will the Board adopt the Grade 7 novel “Dragonflight” by Ann McCaffrey?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Member Cardon to adopt the Grade 7 novel “Dragonflight” by Ann McCaffrey. The motion was seconded by Board Treasurer Capener. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

3. Correction of October 17, 2018, Board Meeting Minutes

This item was moved to the Consent Agenda.

4. Board Policy 3080 – Non-Resident Student Attendance

Will the Board repeal Policy 3080 – Non-Resident Student Attendance?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Treasurer Capener to repeal Policy 3080 – Non-Resident Student Attendance. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Montgomery. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

5. 2019-2020 TCPCS Calendar

Will the Board approve the 2019-2020 TCPCS Calendar?

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Member Cardon to the approval of the 2019-2020 TCPCS Calendar. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Montgomery. Discussion was held. The vote was tied. The voting is as follows: Board members Andersen, Montgomery, and Capener voted in the affirmative. Board members Radford, Taylor, and Cardon cast negative votes. A new Motion will be need to be presented in a future meeting.

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS -- Information Item

1. Report by Assistant Principal Kolsen (.10)

Enrollment

Currently there are 373 students. There are three new students; two students moved and withdrew.

Athletics

The boys’ JH basketball team won the Charter School Tournament and received a trophy. The trophy is the second trophy for the school. Equalizing playing time for all players on the Middle School team was briefly discussed.

School discipline

This item will be reported annually during the May Board meeting

2. Superintendent Report by Superintendent Wendt

Marketing

The school marketing piece was done well. Four videos were made for Facebook. Two of the videos have been posted with positive feedback. The other two will be added to Facebook at various times.

Climate and Culture

Students have been lingering in the halls before school and will be addressed soon.

Teachers and administration prepared an activity day for the 5th, 6th, and 7th graders. They had a good time with board games and eating pizza in the cafeteria. They then moved to the gym where more games were played. The Junior High students loved the combined activities and the 6th grade students were able to see the teachers in a different light than in the classroom. It was a successful activity for all

Junior High basketball has had a positive effect with the 6th grade students.

Performance Report

The performance rubric will be presented in a future meeting.

XII. BOARD CALENDAR -- Information Item

04-01-19 4:15 p.m. Agenda Planning Meeting

04-10-19 6:00 p.m. Board Work Meeting; 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

XIII. SCHOOL CALENDAR -- Information Item

04-03-19 through 04-05-19 Book Fair

04-04-19 and 04-05-19 Parent/Teacher Conferences (Junior High and Senior High School)

05-10-19 Spring Pictures

XIV. PENDING TOPICS -- Information Item

ISBA policies

XV. REVIEW OF ASSIGNMENTS GIVEN -- Information Item

Create School Improvement for suggestions of what can be done to improve TCPCS

Superintendent Wendt requested topics for School Improvement Committee. One topic is a gifted and talented program.

Superintendent Wendt to update the Board on the enhanced wellness and nutrition committee in the April Board meeting

XVI. BOARD INPUT FOR FUTURE MEETING -- Information Item

Work meeting – Strategic Plan review

Retention of policy documents

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Board Secretary Montgomery to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Andersen. Board Member Radford questioned the use of time restraints. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

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