



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday August 3,2010

6:30

pm

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- I. Preliminary
 - A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm
 - B. Roll Call: Travis Gery, Bonita Harman, Kadedra Haynes, Mary Steffey

- II. Old Business
 - A. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
motion to approve July minutes by Bonita Harmon
second by Kadedra Haynes

- III. New Business: Report to the Board
 - A. Enrollment: Tim Kreider gave the enrollment report (see board report)
returning-3455 new- 764 pending-1061
 - B. Finance: Ray Ball gave the financial report
initial end of year estimate on fund balance (surplus) ~990K
audit of 2005-2006 was just completed-significant issues with internal controls
but this was during the prior administration and these weakness have been
addressed.
IRS will visit again in coming month to examine years 2007-2010 with the focus
on transactions involving the prior Board and Cynwyd Group LLC.
Lease was signed for East Falls Learning Center.
Tim Kreider presented info on Digital Records Management Proposal from five
different companies. Discussion was held as to possibility of getting K12 to pay
for this and we will look into this.
Mary Steffey made a motion to table
second Bonita Harmon
unanimously carried
 - C. Personnel: Sharon Williams gave the personnel report (see board report)
on hiring of the latest group of teachers
motion to approve the personnel report and teacher hires and returns
by Kadedra Haynes
second by Bonita Harman
 - D. Academic: Sharon Williams gave the board report (see board report)

Pssa status

did not make ayp corrective action II

met 23/29 targets

met participation rate : 99%

missed graduation rate: our rate is 68.57 (target is 82.5)

missed in math black/non Hispanic, Latina/ Hispanic, IEP, Economically disabled

missed in reading pssa reading target 63%

corrective action II means we must rewrite the school improvement plan and hire a consultant which has already been done and letter will go out to parents informing them we are in corrective action.

Alison Drachia gave the data on summer school for elementary. There is 67% who will be passing based on performance in summer school. The reason the students who are not passing was attendance.

Amy Rupp gave the middle school summer school report. 59% of students are passing their summer courses. Again the reason for failure was attendance.

Jane Swan gave the high school report. 56% are passing summer school. Many withdrawals are for non attendance

Define U. Kevin Corcoran gave a report on Define U pilot program to help kids take control of their lives. There were 39 kids in the spring in the program run by Learning to Lead, the non- profit that runs the program. with the goal being to serve 1000 kids this year. \$55,000 is needed for this program.

Mary Steffey made a motion to approve the expenditure for the program

Kadedra Haynes second

unanimously carried

E. Community and Parent Updates: Sharon Williams

meet and greets for new and returning families

Booster club will be looking for fundraising

Regional Community Events

Family Support Team

Agora Days Out

Back to school events

F. Charter Renewal Status/PDE Update:

English, Math, Science alignment drafts complete (of new standards)

k12 hired consultant to analyze test scores, assist in renewal actions and assist in School Improvement Planning

G. Policy Recommendations (Action)

i. Employee handbook:

motion to table the employees handbook by Mary Steffey

second by Bonita Harmon

unanimously carried

ii. Student Handbook: changes were made to add attendance callers

motion to approve the handbook with the changes made by Kadedra Haynes

second by Bonita Harman

unanimously carried

iii. Policy to allow families with three or more children to have laptops for the

third, fourth and additional children at the parent's request.

Kadedra Haynes made a motion to approve
Second by Bonita Harman
Mary Steffey and Travis Gery abstained from voting on this based on this policy
having a impact on them.
Travis Gery determined motion carried

IV. Public Comment (20 minutes)

V. Adjourn

Mary Steffey made a motion to adjourn at 8:44pm



minutes/respectfully submitted by

Mary Steffey



Agora Cyber Charter School
Report to the Board
August 3, 2010

A. Enrollment as of July 27, 2010

	Gen Ed Enrolled	Spec Ed Enrolled	Gen Ed Pending	Spec Ed Pending
K	199	4	69	3
1	270	19	25	4
2	274	27	37	2
3	230	21	36	7
4	239	37	39	8
5	252	38	42	16
6	246	38	54	9
7	281	70	54	20
8	293	65	67	18
9	453	128	141	29
10	411	87	111	46
11	264	53	136	37
12	266	51	110	24
Grand Total	3678	638	921	223

B. Finance (Action)

- i. See attached report from Finance Department
- ii. Digital Records management Proposal (See attached)

C. Personnel (Action)

- i. See attached personnel roster for 2010-2011 school year.
- ii. One summer resignation
- iii. Hires: total of 21 new employees (at the time of report)

Elem Reading Specialist	1
Elementary Teacher	6
Guidance Counselor	1
High School Advisor	1
HS Art teacher	1
HS Math Teacher	2

Math Specialist	1
MS English Teacher	2
MS Math Teacher	1
MS Science Teacher	2
Special Education Teacher (5-6 grade)	1
Special Education Teacher (HS)	1

D. Academic

i. Middle School Summer School Updates

1. 59% of students are passing their summer courses
2. The main reason for the failure rate is due to lack of attendance.
 - a. Many families did not want to commit a full 6 weeks to the program.
3. Updated progress reports will be sent this week to those who have successfully completed summer school. They will indicate promotion to the next grade in some circumstances.

ii. High School Summer School Updates

1. 56% of students are passing summer school courses at the time of the report
2. Many withdrawals from the program for non attendance

iii. Charter School Annual Report is on track to be submitted on time (Aug. 2, 2010).

iv. AYP status will be available on August 2, 2010.

E. Community and Parent Updates

- i. Face to Face enrollment sessions are held weekly across the state.
- ii. Meet and Greet events for new and returning families continue to be held state wide.
- iii. Booster families still active this summer and gearing up for Back to School
- iv. Back to School Events are being planned for September.
- v. Face to face visits to new and returning families to build strong relationships to start the school year will be conducted throughout August and September.
- vi. Regional Family Support Coordinators are working with teachers to plan Agora Days Out and regional community events.

F. Charter Renewal Status/PDE Updates

- i. See Attached summary of action items

G. Policy Recommendations (Action)

- i. Employee Handbook (See attached)
- ii. Student Handbook updates (See summary of Additions)