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Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday March 2, 2010

1. Preliminary:

- A. call to order: the meeting was called to order at 6:42pm
- B. members present: Travis Gery, Jim Parsons, Mary Steffey, Kadedra Haynes, Bonita Harmon

11. Old Business

III. New Business:

A. Enrollment:

- i. Current Enrollment Data:(see board report)
- ii. Face to face enrollment: Kadedra Haynes made a motion to mandate face to face enrollment for grades 7-12
second by Mary Steffey

B. Finance (see board report)

Kevin Corcoran gave the financials which shows us to be in strong financial health
Mary Steffey made a motion to ratify payments that Kevin listed in the board report.
second by Mary Steffey
Unanimously passed

C. Personnel: Sharon Williams give the personnel report (see board report)

D. Academic: Sharon Williams gave the academic report and explained we are having a special education audit and asked to have an outside agency come in and provide us an outside audit.

Sharon has contacted Foundations Inc.

Bonnie Harmon made a motion to allow Sharon to hire an agency at her discretion for up to 80,000 to audit special education
second by Mary Steffey
unanimously approved

Allison Dracha gave a report on aims screening and the growth between the fall and spring
Amy Rupp gave the middle school report (see board report) and info about face to face home visits

Our goal is 80% average to high engaged, currently we have a 33% failure rate in the middle school

Jane Swan gave the High School Report (see board report) the passing rate of the high school is 61% and the goal is 80% passing

E. Community PSSA and Parent Updates :Laura Zottola gave info on the community events (see board report) the rallies will be Mar 25 2010
Booster Club will be the third Tuesday of each month.

F. PDE Updates: PDE called about site availability for a site visit from the PDE for Mar 18, 19, 22 and 25. PDE has relinquished the fund back to BOT

H. Policy Recommendations:

1. Testing Attendance:

Mary Steffey made a motion to approve the testing policy

Bonnie Harmon second

motion passed unanimously

2. Testing Teacher Attendance

Kadedra Haynes made a motion to approve

seconded by Bonnita Harmon

3.. Student Handbook

Mary Steffey made a motion to approve the draft of the handbook

seconded by Kadedra Haynes

IV. Public Comment

V. Executive Session

VI. Adjournment: Mary Steffey made a motion to adjourn

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Minutes respectfully submitted by Mary Steffey



NOTICE OF AND AGENDA FOR AGORA CYBER CHARTER SCHOOL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, March 2, 2010

6:30 pm

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Members Present

Others Present

- I. Preliminary
 - A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at _____ pm
 - B. Roll Call

- II. Old Business
 - A. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

- III. New Business: Report to the Board
 - A. Enrollment
 - i. Current Enrollment Data
 - ii. Face to Face Enrollment for 2010-2011 (Action)
 - B. Finance
 - C. Personnel
 - D. Academic
 - E. Community and Parent Updates
 - F. Charter Renewal Status
 - G. PDE Updates
 - H. Policy Recommendations
 - i. Testing Attendance
 - ii. Testing Teacher Attendance
 - iii. Student Handbook

- IV. Public Comment (20 minutes)

- V. Adjournment



Board Report
March 2, 2010

Enrollment (as of 2/19/2010)

Total Enrollment: 5449 Total Students

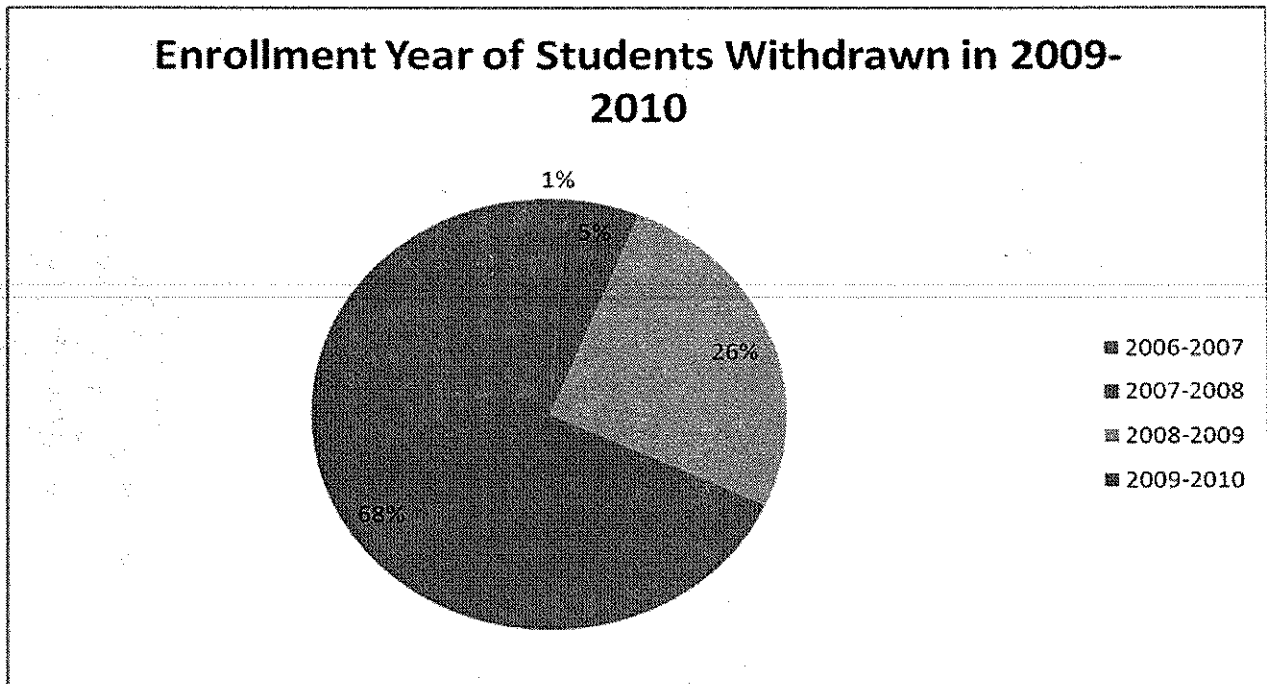
K-6	2227 (+ 45)
7-8	943 (+13)
9-12	2279 (-186)

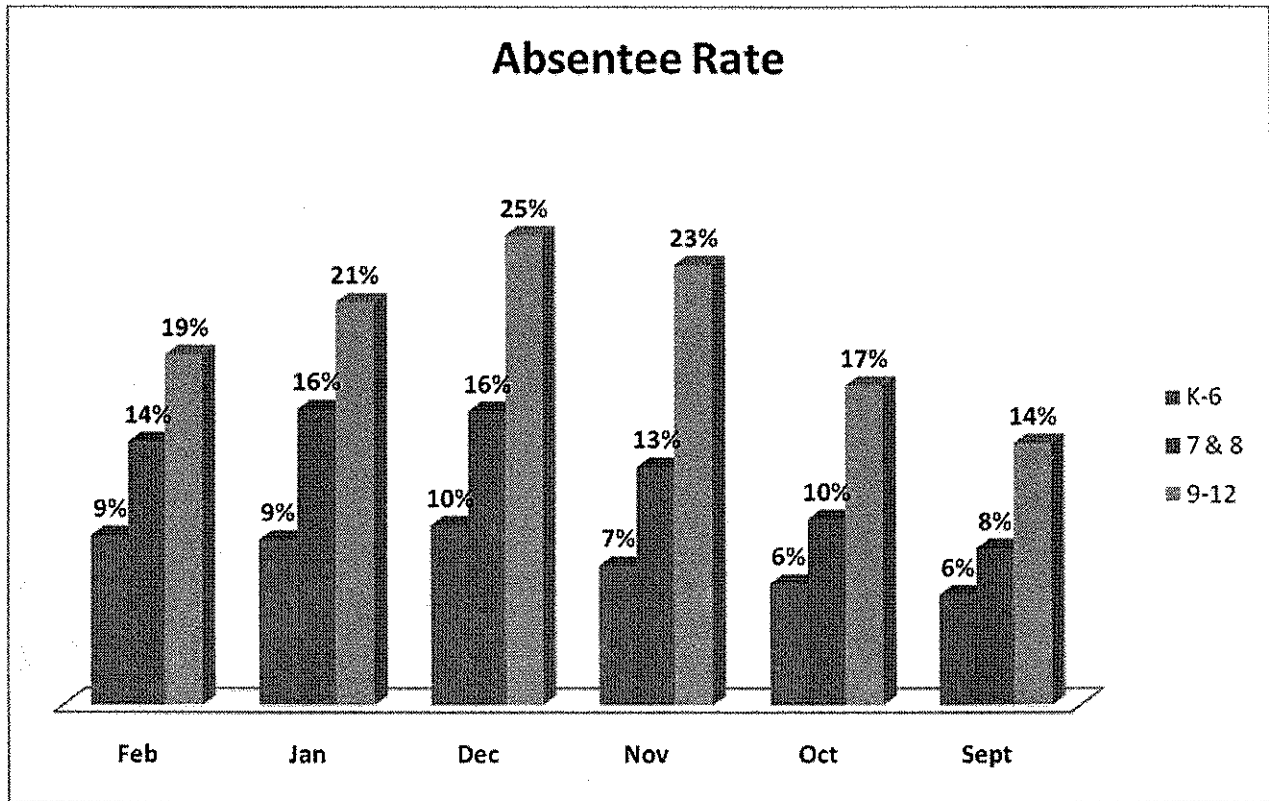
Total Regular Education 4455

Total Special Ed 994
See Appendix 1 for Enrollment by Grade level

Withdrawals

1796 Total Withdrawals this year (-38 from last Board Meeting)





Finance

See Attachments for Finance Report

Personnel

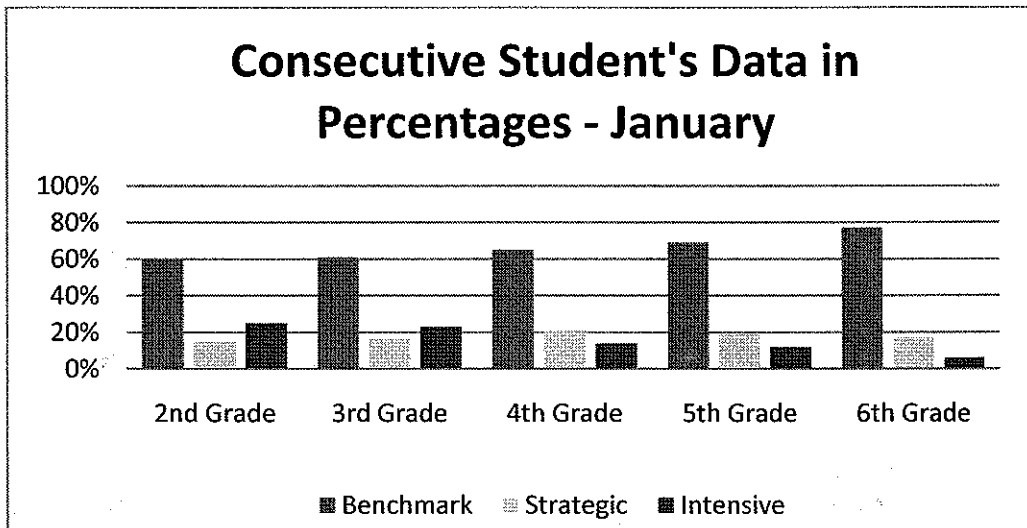
- New Human Resources Teacher Coordinator started on Feb. 9, 2010
- 8 New para educators supporting K-2 and 9th grade started on Feb 3, 2010
- 1 Special Education teacher started on Feb. 8, 2010
- 1 Long term substitute on Feb. 5, 2010
- 1 Middle School Special Education Teacher Resigned as of March 5, 2010

Academic

Elementary (K-6)

Face to face and web based AIMSWEB winter screenings were completed at the end of January. It is our goal to move as many students as possible to be classified as "benchmark students." Overall we have seen gains across grade levels and an increased number of students are working more on the benchmark level, while others fell less in the intensive category across grade levels. Students working below are receiving increased direct instruction and support to improve reading gains.

2-6 Reading Fluency



Middle School (7-8)

- The failure rate at the middle school is 33%, which means that 67% of our students are failing. This number has been fluctuating and will hopefully improve as learning plans are implemented.
- Face to face visits are in full swing at the Middle School. Teachers are collaborating and setting up visits to students who are low engaged and failing.
- Our Goal is 80% average to high engaged and 80% passing rate.

High School

- Passing rate is 61 % (behind 80% goal by 19%)
- Failing rate is 39 %
- January to February increase in passing rate: 7%
- January to February decrease in failing rate: 7%
- Final First semester Data:
 - % Passing = 54%
 - % Failing = 46%

Community and Parent Updates

PSSA Prep Rallies March 25, 2010

March Community Events:

Family Fun Days at Museums, Coffee Chats with parents, Meet and Greets, etc.

Booster Program

- Currently there are 155 members
- Held first meeting on February 9 at 7:00pm
- Meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of every month
- Booster Club's Purpose: to provide parents/guardians a specific way to actively participate in and direct the K¹² global and local school community

End of the Year Celebrations:

- Pittsburgh Zoo: May 21
- Philadelphia Zoo: June 8th
- Knobel's: June 10th

High school prom scheduled (Three Locations)

Charter Renewal Status

No Updates

PDE Updates

No Updates

Policy Recommendations

- i. Testing Attendance
- ii. Testing Teacher Attendance
- iii. Student Handbook

See Appendix ii for Policy Recommendations