



DUAL IMMERSION ACADEMY

DIA Board Meeting, June 14, 2018

Meeting started at 6:16 p.m.

In attendance: Gabriela Benitez, Mac Newbold, Jesse Soriano, Rich Stowell, Brian Lowe, Ray Betancourt

Absent:

Staff: Angela Fanjul, DIA Director; Susie Ramos and Brian Cates (Red Apple)

Others in attendance: Rocio Gonzalez, board secretary.

Called to order by Gabriela Benitez, Board President.

DIA Parents and After School Program Changes

Three DIA parents in attendance asked for time to express to the board their concerns regarding changes to the DIA After School Program. Parents are concerned with the new changes and the fees that will be charged and how they will affect families, especially those parents who have more than one student in the program. They brought a list with names and signatures of parents concerned about it as well. DIA director expressed to parents the difficult decision to end Dream Academy After School Program. Parents expressed their frustration not understanding the changes and reasons for the changes. Director also acknowledged they should have communicated better with the parents regarding the reasons and changes in the After-School Program. Board President Gabriela thank the parents for coming to express their concerns and let them know the board will discuss situation with DIA director. Parents were also invited to attend DIA's Community Council meetings and were encouraged to talk to administration staff should they need to have an item for discussion in the board agenda and were invited to attend open board meetings should they wish to do so.

Financial Report:

Preliminary Budget 2018-2019

Report to the board included operating margin, forecast, cash flow and investment in funds. Also, Final Budget and Preliminary Budget presented, including State and Federal revenue. All categories reviewed and explained to the board. Discussion about expenses, employee benefits, and Red Apple projections.

Motion to approve the FY 18 Budget and the FY 19 Preliminary Budget

Motion by: Mac Newbold

Second by: Gabriela Benitez

Motion passed unanimously

Administrative Report:

HVAC Issues – building/maintenance. Working group presentation to the board
Proposal presented to the board to replace 23 units that are not functioning well. Discussion about the cost to replace them and maintenance program which would include plumbing & HVAC, a mayor expense that would require board approval. Board decided to request additional bids to compare and find more information to make the best decision. Bid requests will be sent to others in the community.

School Lands Trust funding movement
If extra money is left over to be placed on manipulatives and music.

Gear-Up (Tabled for next meeting)

Plans for Board Retreat
To be discussed via e-mail

Director’s Evaluation
To be conducted at a private session. DIA director will send forms to the board via e-mail

Annual Review Assurances for the Charter School Accountability Framework (CSAF)
DIA director will send document via e-mail to the board

Cultivating new board members
Discussion about new board members and recommendations on possible candidates. The board moved to thank Carmen Finn for her service as a board member; she is officially off the board as of today.

Motion to thank Carmen Finn for her service by: Mac Newbold

Second by: Ray Betancourt
Motion passed unanimously

Approval of minutes: May 10, 2018

Motion by: Gabriela Benitez
Second by: Mac Newbold
Motion passed unanimously

Meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.

Closed Session

Opened at 7:45
Closed at 8:27

Next meeting: 6:00pm Thursday, July 12, 2018