

MEETING AGENDA – Wednesday 9/21/2022

- I. The Meeting was called to order at 6:45 by Lisa Gonzalez after we took a quick tour of the Barn to see the construction progress.

Kelly Hunt, Jessica Lynch, Ryan Shoeffelmeer, Lori Knox-Lindsay, Suzanne Radzik and Mylese Tucker, present. Tiana Clark and Julie Tegt , not present

Discovery - Ernesto Martinez, Debra Weller and Michelle Hornyak, present.

Gabriele Group – Allan Gabriele, present

- II. Lisa Gonzales read the Mission and Vision Statement

OUR VISION:

Discovery is a school community that nurtures the idea of how to think and not what to think

OUR MISSION:

Discovery Charter School will foster in its students the passion and curiosity necessary for lifelong learning. Students will develop the ability to think critically, communicate effectively, and excel academically. Through an integrated, place-based curriculum, our students will become stewards of their environment and community.

- III. The Financial Report was reviewed by Allan Gabriele, noting that Discovery is in a good financial shape.
- IV. Suzanne Radzik made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, with a second by Kelly Hunt. The motion passed unanimously
- V. Public Comment – None

VI. Welcome to Mrs. Michelle Hornyak as the new Assistant Principal.

VII. Items for Discussion and VIII. Matters for Approval

1. Board Positions

- Resignation of Kelly Hunt Vander Vliet as PAC president effective 10/10/22.
- Resignation of Julie Tegt effective immediately.

Suzanne Radzik moved and Ryan Schoffemeer seconded to accept the resignations of Kelly Hunt Vander Vliet and Julie Tegt. The Board unanimously accepted.

Kelly Hunt Vander Vliet sits on the Board as a representative of PAC, so that board position will be open after her resignation and with Julie Tegt leaving, the office of Secretary is open. Mylese Tucker will act as secretary until the position is filled.

The board discussed how the empty seats should be filled. Ryan Schoeffelmeer proposed we interview candidates to fill the seats, inviting Kelly Hunt to apply. Lisa Gonzales and Lori Knox-Lindsay both said it would be prudent to keep Kelly on the Board, since she has the knowledge and background to be effective.

Ernesto Martinez suggested we come up with a strategy and timeline to follow for board recruitment. The board will discuss that at a future date.

Kelly Hunt stated that although she did not have the time for the demanding commitment as PAC President, she would be able to fulfill her duties as a Board member.

Ryan Schoeffelmeer moved and Mylese Tucker seconded to keep Kelly Hunt on the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion working group.

Discussion about what the group would entail. Lori Knox-Lindsay expressed the importance of having specific action items for the group in order to have real meaning and be successful.

Lori Knox-Lindsay, Lisa Gonzalez and Jessica Lynch all expressed interest in serving on the group. Further discussion of group chair will be postponed until all board members are present, since both Tiana Clark and Lori Knox-Lindsay are interested in the position.

Lisa Gonzalez moved to start a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion working group and Ryan Schoffmeier seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Board of Director Goals

Mylese Tucker moved to accept the Board of Director Goals, seconded by Jessica Lynch. The motion passed unanimously. Lisa Gonzalez will post the goals on the website.

4. Superintendent Goals

Suzanne Radzik moved to accept the Superintendent Goals, seconded by Lori Knox-Lindsay. The motion passed unanimously. Discussion about posting Superintendent Goals on the website.

IX. School Report

Ernesto Martinez reported enrollment is at 564, an all time high and retention rate of students is 87.83%. Other topics also noted:

- Use of Powerschool plug ins and fees.
- Launch of True Pay time and labor management.
- Looking into State offered Covid testing program.
- Trout Glass to look at adding a second level of glass entry doors to increase security.
- Ball State is offering more support and training and Ernesto Martinez and Lisa Gonzalez have been taking advantage of the opportunities offered.
- Discovery has 2 Special Ed teachers and searching for one more.
- November 30th is a Summit Resource Event provided by Ball State.

Deb Weller reported on the school community. Topics noted:

- Kindergarten teachers attended Wilson Foundation training and there was a SPED conference for Special Ed teachers.
- Star testing data was discussed.
- Bringing back Halloween Parade.
- Formation of the Sunshine Club to celebrate weddings and babies of staff.
- Discipline Report

X. Working Group Updates

Development

- Barn Development
- Looking for sponsorship and marketing opportunities
- Created stickers and bookmarks to giveaway at events.

Finance Committee did not meet and has nothing to report.

Policy Committee has nothing to report

XI. PAC Update

- Full steam ahead with Fall Fest
- Tonight is Noodles and Co. give back
- Beautiful float made by families for the Popcorn Parade and Discovery got a mention in the paper.

XII. Recognition

- The Board recognized Kelly Hunt Vander Vliet for her hard work and dedication while Pac President.
- The Board Recognized Julie Tegt for her hard work and time devoted as Board President.
- Ernesto thanked the Board for their time put in to the successful Board Retreat.

XIII. Next Meeting October 12

5 pm Executive Session for strategic planning regular meeting at 6:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm