



CORNVILLE REGIONAL CHARTER SCHOOL

FOSTERING RESPONSIBLE, INDEPENDENT, HAPPY, CURIOUS LEARNERS

CRCS Board Minutes Meetings 5-7-14

In Attendance: Laurie Hayden, Mimosa Mack, Stephanie Miller, Sam Jencks, Carrie Tessier, Jean Walker, Jake Daigneault (late)

Executive Director: Justin Belanger

Principal: Dr. Bill Crumley

Visitors: Darcy Surette, Melanie Immediato, Sandra Belanger, Ashlee Savage, Michelle Scribner, Ken and Brenda Hogate, Barbara Averill, Sarah Smith

Review of last minutes of meetings. Sam made a motion to accept minutes as written. Stephanie seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Executive Director:

- Enrollment down by three with no given reason during an attempted exit interview.
- Attended training for Mass Customized Learning (Educate Software).
- AmeriCorps program has not been funded for next year.
- Ag Ed – working with MeANS for a summer program and will explore more integration of Ag Ed into all areas of academics.
- Phone/Intercom voice estimates for traditional phone system versus VoIP.
- PTF did a great job for teacher appreciation.

PTF committee:

Sarah Smith reported that the PTF is organizing and creating committees with separate functions such as SIG, PIC, Classroom Parents, and Fundraising events. ...more to come.

Policy Committee:

The topics discussed were footwear and healthy eating policies.

1. Current Footwear Policy – no vote taken
 - The Programs and Policy Committee proposed that no changes be made but recommends that the school remind parents in a newsletter about the need to have appropriate shoes at school for playing. Staff should remind and enforce this with their students.
2. Healthy eating Policy:
 - a) The Programs and Policy Committee proposed a change to the student/parent handbook for next year. *Schools should not only teach children how to make healthy choices and to eat to fulfill nutritional needs, but also should provide an environment that fosters healthy eating. Parents/guardians are encouraged to send healthy foods with their children each morning. We strongly discourage students from bringing candy, soda and other non-nutritious snacks. Please be careful if sending food or drinks in glass containers.*

Sam made a motion to accept the change to the student/parent handbook policy for next year. Mimosa seconded. Motion passed 7-0

- b) The Programs and Policy Committee proposed an addition to the staff handbook for next year.
- Schools should not only teach children how to make healthy choices and to eat to fulfill nutritional needs, but also should provide an environment that fosters healthy eating. Be mindful of what you eat and drink at school and aim to refrain from visibly displaying unhealthy foods or beverages in front of students. The use of food or beverages as a reward for academic performance or good behavior is discouraged. Look for other options for rewards and treats in the classroom and minimize candy and junk food.*

Sam made a motion to accept the policy as written for next year. Laurie seconded.
Motion passed 7-0

Facilities:

- Construction started on library.
- Estimate on front doors is being researched.
- Sam made a motion to revamp parking spaces in the front of the school at a cost of \$3500 while the equipment is here doing the library groundwork. Laurie seconded.
Motion passed 6-0 with 1 abstained.
- Leach field infiltrator will need to be replaced at some time in the future.

Old Business:

- Budget continues to be worked on and should be ready for the next board meeting.

New Business:

- Sam will not be running for re-election to the Board of Directors.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 by Sam. Laurie seconded.

Motion passed 7-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Tessier, Board Secretary