

Utah State Charter School Board Meeting
Minutes
July 12, 2012
North & South Board Rooms
Utah State Office of Education

APPROVED

Members present: Tim Beagley, Laura Belnap, John Pingree, Robb Enger, Howard Headlee

Members excused: Dean Brockbank, Kristin Elinkowski

Staff present: Marlies Burns, Jo Schmitt, Paul Crawford

Others present: Martell Menlove, Natalie Grange, Shelley Nordick, Kim Dohrer, Jeanne Whitmore, Michael Westover, Mackie Raymond, Edward Cramata

Call to Order

Vice Chair Tim Beagley called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Swearing in of new and reappointed Board Members

Superintendent Larry Shumway swore in two of the newly appointed board members, Robert Enger and Howard Headlee; also Tim Beagley was sworn in as a reappointed board member.

Board leadership elections

Motion was made to suspend the Charter School Bylaws temporarily and take a voice vote for Tim Beagley as chair and Dean Brockbank as vice chair as nominated. Member Robb Enger seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Member Laura Belnap was appointed to the USBE, to replace Tim Beagley as an advisory board member representing the SCSB.

Consent Calendar

Motion was made by Member Robb Enger and seconded by Member Howard Headlee to approve the consent calendar for July 12, 2012 which consists of minutes from the May 10, 2012 SCSB meeting, amendment request from Monticello Academy to postpone opening its high school grades until fall 2014 and the FY13 Charter School Board Meeting schedule. The motion was carried unanimously.

Amendment Request – Open High School of Utah

Representatives of Open High School of Utah informed the SCSB of its request to add grades 7-8 with no additional students, beginning fall 2013.

Motion was made by Member Robb Enger and seconded by Member Laura Belnap to approve for recommendation to the USBE the amendment request to add grades 7-8 with no additional students, beginning fall 2013. The motion was carried unanimously.

Amendment Request – Aristotle Academy

Representatives of Aristotle Academy informed the SCSB of its request to amend the definition of founder in the charter and make changes to the method of delivery of instruction by adding Comprehensive Program of Instruction.

Motion was made by Member Howard Headlee to approve for recommendation to the USBE the amendment request to change the definition of founding member in the school's charter and direct Aristotle Academy to work with staff to achieve a limited trial along the lines as outlined in the amendment request. Because of no second, the motion fails.

Motion was made by Member Robb Enger and seconded by Member Howard Headlee to approve the amendment request to change the definition of founder portion of the request, only. After discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

Motion was made by Member Robb Enger and seconded by Member Laura Belnap to divide the amendment request into two portions: 1) changing the definition of founder; 2) adding the Comprehensive Program of Instruction program and implementation thereof. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Member Robb Enger and seconded by Member Laura Belnap to approve for recommendation to the USBE, the first portion of the amendment request, to change the definition of founder in the school's charter. The motion was carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Member Laura Belnap and seconded by Member John Pingree to deny the second portion of the amendment request, to add the Comprehensive Program Instruction program to the school's charter. The motion was carried unanimously.

Review of School LAND Trust Plan for 2012-2013

Motion was made by Member John Pingree and seconded by Member Robb Enger to approve for recommendation to the USBE the School LAND Trust Plan for Uintah River High School. The motion was carried unanimously.

CREDO Update

Representatives of CREDO presented to the SCSB, by a power point presentation, updated information regarding their evaluation of Utah Charter Schools, required as part of the Federal Start-up & Implementation Grant.

Adjourn

Motion was made to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. by Member Robb Engar.