

ACS Meeting Minutes

Feb 7, 2019

Board Present: Josh Greer, Adam Cormican, Nick Smith, Dan Bessert, Dino Ward

Interested Parties: Amy Furrey

(Location: Moved to Celebration Center due to weather)

- General Session Opening 6:30pm:
 - Opening Prayer- AC
 - Secretaries Report – JG
 - Motion to approve as submitted
 - DB
 - Second: NS
 - Approved
 - Treasurers Report – DW
 - Rent had not been paid (was thought to be annual)
 - 4 months paid recently: \$2405
 - January to be paid now
 - Possibly combine February
 - JG: Asking about athletic commitment
 - AF: Athletics pays a portion of gym rental. School pays remaining and a per student charge.
 - January through December 2018 Net Income
 - \$6946.81 (minus \$2405 from above)
 - Credit card cycles overlapped last month
 - More charges than normal as a result.
 - Substitutions lower than normal.
 - Motion to approve
 - JG
 - Second: DB
 - Approved
 - Principals Report – AF
 - School Choice Rally (Brenda Allcorn; Cornerstone Academy)
 - Jefferson City event
 - Group to communicate to legislators about laws relating to alternative schooling.
 - Possible bill
 - Scholarship to allow funding to school of choice.
 - Lottery type fund
 - Sourced from donations
 - For approved alternative schools
 - NS: might have concerns for what it would take to become an approved school.
 - **ACTION ITEM: AF to seek more information; specifically, regarding what it takes to be an approved school.**
 - NS: Read from data online. Seems invasive.
 - AF: Seems like we would not be interested.
 - NS: We should still watch it and see what it turns into.
- Board Oversight 7:00pm:
 - Academic – NS

- Athletics – JG
 - No meeting (weather)
 - No issues reported via text
 - All is well
 - 8th Grade Trip – AC
 - Both Chernish boys are going
 - Will be flying
 - Tickets still pending
 - Seniors – AC
 - Katy Park dinner on Sunday
 - AF to do a one call to announce
 - Student Council – DW
 - Carnival made about \$383
 - Pie in the face was low.
 - Tickets and concession did well.
 - Parent attendance is low.
 - Family Club – DB
- Old Business
 - 2019/2020 school calendar approve
 - Discussion with drama.
 - Possibly last year unless someone else steps up.
 - Motion to approve as submitted
 - NS
 - Second: DB
 - Approved
 - 2019/2020 budget
 - Expenses (which cannot easily be trimmed) is projected to exceed income
 - Classes currently combined but may not be able to if there is growth in these classes.
 - JG: Concerned that income is not even covering payroll.
 - AC: \$10 increase in tuition adds \$3680
 - DW: Discussed fundraising
 - AC: Has not been well received in the past.
 - JG: To have a balanced budget we would need to increase tuition by \$19.5 per student, based on 46 students
 - JG: This is not feasible in a single year
 - DB: Suggests increasing application fee
 - Suggests to \$50
 - AF: Suggest not refunding to first month's tuition as is done now.
 - NS: Concerned this combined with screening fee could be excessive, especially if we choose not to proceed with this family.
 - JG asking about what \$1600 for office supplies
 - Mostly toner
 - DW suggests adding a month of tuition (9 months vs 8)
 - JG: concerned about paying extra month in June and still asking for another month to hold a spot.
 - Items to increase
 - Application fee keep at \$25, but non-refundable
 - Increase screening fee to \$50 per screening

- Increase course select to \$75 per class
 - Increase tuition to \$175 (+\$15)
 - Using anticipated surplus from this school year will cover remaining shortfall of \$1655 (based on 46 students and 31 families).
 - Motion to approve budget and tuition increases.
 - NS
 - Second: DB
 - Approved
 - Talk on business donations
 - DW: Recommends seeking donations sooner rather than waiting for November.
 - **ACTION ITEM: AC - Write letter to families explaining the reasons for the increase.**
- Tuition Increase – Application Fee
 - See above
- Screener Contract Approve
 - Updated based on last meeting.
 - Multiple options presented (same basic information; verbiage)
 - NS: Based on contract experience, recommends option 2
 - Suggestions adding “(Evaluator)” at top of contract, with person’s name
 - Motion to approve
 - NS
 - Second: JG
 - Approved
- Bank Accounts Policy
 - tabled
- Fundraising Policy
 - Tabled
- Web Site
 - Tabled
- New Business
 - Nothing to add
- Open Discussion
 - Nothing to add
- Prayer for School and Families
 - Chris Mabry and family
 - Family finances (tuition increase)
 - Kelley Bergman
- Next Meeting: March
 - 3/11/19 @ 6:30 PM
- Adjournment
 - Motion to adjourn
 - JG

- Second: NS
- Approved