

River Oak Charter School Parent Council Meeting Minutes January 7, 2016, 5:30PM

MISSION

The Parent Council (PC) seeks to develop and promote a communicative, collaborative, and cohesive relationship between the parents, faculty, and students of River Oak Charter School. The Council facilitates and supports fundraisers that benefit the school community, assists in the organization of school events, and serves as the Voice of the Parent Body.

1. Call to order at 5:30

2. Roll Call: Sarah Bailey (Chair), Robyn Gibbs (Co-chair/2nd), Kelly Miller (treasurer/2nd), Estelle Clifton (Secretary/CC-K), Kayla Meadows (Faculty liaison), Rima Meechan (Administrator), Achilles Poloynis (CC-K), Kate Beaman (GS-K), Amy C. Nelson (GS-K), Sarah Walker (1st), Melissa Eleftherion Carr (3rd), Jyl Sherman (4th), Erica Nuñez Reyes (6th), Amy Cline (8th).

3. Approval of minutes December - Tabled

4. Approval of Agenda as Presented – added 6.C

5. Public Comment – Jyl requested clarification from Ms. Meechan regarding changes to admissions policy, specifically how points were changed and why. Ms. Meechan explained the admission policy had been out of compliance with district requirements and that the district did not previously catch this error. Now, students within the Ukiah Unified School District (UUSD) must be given preference and students within our neighborhood school territory (Nokomis) are given additional preference. This will affect families seeking admission for siblings or potentially faculty with children that live outside the UUSD. Robyn requested Administration give the PC an update on the waiting list numbers per grade. Transitional - Kindergarten (T-K), approved by Charter Council (CC) will also reserve 4 enrollment spaces for younger Kindergarten students impacting admissions.

6. Action Items

A. Fundraiser Approvals – PC recommends that the 4th grade date night fundraiser be approved, but asked Ms. Meechan to see that the chaperones are fingerprinted, that one person be trained in CPR, and that the ages be limited to potty-trained children.

B. Marionette Assembly - will be delayed

C. Secretary - Estelle Clifton volunteer to become the new

Secretary

7. Reports:

Administrator's Report – Rima Meechan – George Hoffecher will be back to evaluate teachers

Treasurer's Report – Kelly Miller - \$6557.54; need to make some dance-a-thon reimbursements and there are a few deposits Sarah has from last year's Pastels

Faculty Report – Ms. Meadows – Summer Trainings were discussed. Teachers want more out of it, so they discussed bringing a trainer. This year the focus has been on the garden. Mr. Poor is doing a great job. The teachers want to look at specialty areas to go more in-depth into, such as Eurthmy.

Charter Council Report - Not attended by PC rep. John Bailey is the new Chair

ED Foundation Report - February 26th is the fundraiser at Barra winery. Raffle tickets must be sold and returned by February 22nd. The Funky Dozen will play and there will be food and drink.

Classroom Report - 4 children with winter birthdays will be admitted next year as T-K students

8. Ongoing Business/Overview Report

A. Literacy Week Committees Formation - March 2nd 6-8 pm

Jyl is heading up book sales, Amy Cline volunteers, Sarah B. breakfast (Feb 29), and Melissa is on the committee. Help is needed on the committee, with set-up, decorations, activity tables during the event, breakdown/clean-up. Aside from help - the committee needs book donations, eggs and other ingredients. Books can be placed by office front desk in a box.

B. Staff Appreciation Breakfast – not held last year, Amy C. want to explore having one this year

9. Upcoming Events:

Jan 18- No School

10. Adjournment 7:30 pm