

STAR CHARTER SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD

NOVEMBER 7, 2007 MEETING MINUTES

I.) COMMENCEMENT

A.) At 6:37 pm, Charles Collins called the November 7, 2007 Star Charter School Board Meeting to order.

- 1.) Board Members present: Kris Barnett, Charles Collins, Kathy Pickel, Kelly Drake, Stacey Glaeser, Randy Cox and John Fish
- 2.) Attendees were: Marcia Hagin, Alexander Reyer, Darrell Whatley, Kerry Whatley, Elizabeth Walters and Annette Stevenson

II.) GENERAL/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Charles Collins asked if there were any public comments. Darrell Whatley informed the board that the school placed 4th overall (out of ~23 schools) in the BEST competition for Robotics and stated that the kids were very excited about the competition. Darrell Whatley stated that the activity brings different-aged kids together.

III.) ACTION ITEMS

A.) At 6:39 pm, Charles Collins announced that in accordance with section 551.074 of the Open meetings Act, the board will move to executive session to discuss matters relating to personnel (interview for principal position).

At 7:58 pm, Charles Collins announced that the board returned to regular session.

B.) Charles Collins stated that the board had completed the interviews of our 4 candidates. ***Randy Cox motioned to authorize Kelly Drake to enter into negotiations for the hiring of a new principal, followed by a second motion from Stacey Glaeser. 7 votes in favor were passed. No abstentions. The motion was passed as stated.***

C.) Charles Collins stated that Travis County has approved the issuance of our bond for financing the new location. Additionally, he stated that the next step is signing a construction contract. ***Randy Cox motioned to authorize Charles Collins to sign the construction contract, unless one of the board member's find something disagreeable with the contract by Wednesday, November 14th, followed by a second motion from Stacey Glaeser. 7 votes in favor were passed. One objection about including legal counsel was noted. The motion was passed as written.*** Charles Collins said that once the school enters into the bond, the board would need to pass a resolution to sign it. Charles Collins stated that we are definitely looking at a 2-story school and proceeded to hand out a rough design of a possible layout.

D.) ***Randy Cox moved to accept the minutes from the October 8, 2007, October 22, 2007 and October 24, 2007 meetings, followed by a second motion from Stacey Glaeser. 7 votes in favor were passed. No abstentions. The motion was passed and the minutes were accepted.***

E.) Annette Stevenson stated that the AMI/ARI grant money was being allocated well. Additionally, she gave a report to the board with regards to the location of graduation and the

awards ceremonies, followed by a proposal for funding. *Charles Collins motioned to allot \$3500 for graduation, awards ceremonies and prom, with the senior class continuing to fundraise to try to offset that amount, followed by a second motion from Stacey Glaeser. 7 votes in favor were passed. No abstentions. The motion was passed and \$3500 was allotted for graduation, awards ceremonies and prom.*

F.) Kris Barnett asked the board if the school could be host to the 4th annual Survivor-themed summer camp. Charles Collins stated that he had concerns with the educational value of the camp, along with the emotional repercussions. Kerry and Darrell Whatley stated that their son loved the camp and was looking forward to another summer camp, but they had concerns with the camp as well. Stacey Glaeser stated that she liked the team-building activities of the camp. Kris Barnett stated that he would revamp the camp and propose a new camp to the board at a future meeting.

G.) *Kelly Dake moved to keep the current officers (Charles Collins as president, Kelly Drake as vice president and Kris Barnett as executive secretary), followed by a second motion from Randy Cox. 6 votes in favor were passed. There was 1 abstention. The motion was passed and the officers remained the same.*

IV.) REVIEW OF REGULAR MONTHLY FINANCIALS

A.) Kelly Drake stated that the net income was well within positive range and that there was a positive cash flow of \$15,000. He added that the school has never had that amount of positive cash flow before. Moreover, he stated that the first six-weeks attendance hasn't been factored in yet, but it will and that may lower the cash flow.

V.) DISCUSSION ITEMS

VI.) INFORMATION ITEMS

A.) There were none.

VII.) ADJOURN

A.) Charles Collins adjourned the meeting at 8:56 pm