

SunRidge School
Charter Council Meeting
Minutes for 05/10/2021

Call to order: 6:00pm

Present: Johann, Sasha, Deidra, Brian, Theresa, Jamie, Jehanne (late)

Absent: Jehanne, Curtis

Guests: Kalen

Establishment of Quorum: yes

Approval of Agenda: Johann/Deidra/6/0

Correspondence:

Approval of minutes for April 12, 2021: Deidra/Sasha/5/0/1

Approval of minutes for April 26, 2021: Deidra/Jamie/5/0/1

Open Session & Announcements:

CC discussed our intention to continue meeting two times per month to accommodate additional duties and responsibilities to our current circumstances. CC plans to return to one meeting per month after the close of the school year and to have special meetings as needed.

Deidra asked about increasing the classroom time/days as other districts beginning moving more to a seat-based model and away from distance learning. Kalen reported it is more difficult for SunRidge based on several factors including our twin desks, our current MOU, staffing shortages, etc.

A) Review Action Items/Old Business

Action Item: Sasha will bring the draft statement to FEAT for their input.

Done.

Action Item: Sasha will bring the draft statement to the faculty for their input.

Feedback was gathered from faculty and FEAT. Sasha and Kalen revised the document for CC approval on agenda.e

Action Item: Curtis will provide three options on the calendaring of teacher conferences for consideration of the faculty.

Done.

B) Admin Report

Kalen reported SunRidge has hired a middle school aide. Faculty are planning for summer teacher trainings. There is a graduation committee meeting to plan Eighth Grade graduation. Star Renaissance is implemented for student assessments.

Theresa reported pledge is up to about \$115K and she knows of about 5K additional money that has not yet been entered. Also, the auction proceeds will be applied to pledge.

Enrollment is a little light, including kindergarten enrollment which Theresa suspects is due to families simply deciding to keep their children at home when the child would otherwise attend two years of kindergarten.

Action Item:

C) Parent Council Report

No report, but Kalen and Theresa expressed appreciation for all the things Parent Council is doing to support the teachers. CC discussed the possibility of planning an event for parents and students to try to get everybody together prior to kicking off the next school year, and hopefully strengthen the sense of community.

Action Item:

D) FEAT Report

Recordings of presentations by Orland Bishop made at the BACWTT February conference are being made available to FEAT. The topics address how Waldorf Education can develop awareness of equity, injustice, the African American experience, and how to provide a more inclusive education.

The SunRidge transgender policy has been through several edits but has still not been approved. Sasha believes it needs to come back to CC for approval at this point.

Action Item: Sasha will re-share the document in its present form with CC

E) Inclusion and Anti-Racism Statement Review/Discuss and Approval

Kalen shared the latest version of the inclusion statement. Sasha and Kalen revised the document based on feedback provided by the faculty and FEAT.

Approval of Diversity Statement as edited: Deidra/Jamie/7/0

Action Item: Jamie will take the statement as approved to faculty for discussion and explain CC thought preference to excise the initial paragraph in the draft statement.

F) 2021/2022 Budget Discussion Update

The budget committee met one week ago. The committee discussed bringing back some of the specialty programs we had to eliminate next year.

Action Item:

G) Foundation Request

Faculty requested and the foundation approved a small budget of \$200.00 for each class teacher to cover end of the year necessities as the district has an early May purchasing deadline (in order to prepare for the annual audit).

Action Item:

H) Closed Session – Personnel

[closed session held]

Action Item:

I) Report from Closed Session

No action taken in closed session.

Action Item:

J) School Survey, LCAP, and ELO Update

SunRidge has distributed a site-specific survey given to the faculty. Additional instructional aides to support teachers, tutors available to assist with school-work both during and after school, and an on-campus counselor were all strongly supported in the survey.

SunRidge has also distributed a site-specific survey to the parents. Math and reading support and intervention was strongly prioritized. Parents also strongly supported social and emotional learning and training as well as an on-campus counselor.

Action Item:

K) Schedule Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 24th for a specially scheduled meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Johann Hall

