

Academy for Career Education
Board of Director's Meeting
January 19, 2011

Academy for Career Education
2800 Vassar St., Reno, NV 89502

Members Present:

Mike Cate
Travis Coombs
Mike Dillon
Tim Heydon, 1st Vice President
Mike Holmes
Chuck Morrison, Treasurer
Pat Martinez
Laura Walsh

Others Present:

Leigh Berdrow
Bob DeRuse
Thea Sullivan

The meeting convened at 3:20 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Tim Heydon, the 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order. He changed the order of the agenda. The next agenda item will be the Administrative Report.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Bob distributed a Building Trades report to the board members and mentioned a few of the highlights regarding the student built home.

Bob is drafting a letter to parent's of ACE students regarding the synthetic marijuana. The DEA has designated this as an illegal substance to possess, sell, or use, while the DEA reviews it. ACE considers this substance as an illegal drug. Bob informed the board about student removals.

Bob gave a testing update.

The board was informed about personnel issues by Bob.

Leigh stated that the new quarter has started. Eleven or twelve students have withdrawn, three for transportation issues. Four students will be enrolled next week. One hundred and twenty students are returning next year.

Leigh is going to start marketing. An open house will be held on March 26, 2011. About 14,000 invitations will be mailed.

SkillsUSA is in March this year. Leigh is going to require a 3.0 GPA for students to be able to participate in the competition. Testing is also in March and students who attend Skills will miss a week of school. Students that don't have a 3.0 GPA cannot afford to miss any school.

ACE donated a shed to the Wooster IB program. Wooster will initiate some press about this.

Leigh discussed Legislative activity. The synthetic marijuana will be on the agenda as well as changing the way schools are funded. Students would be classified in different categories. For instance, CTE students would be funded at a higher rate. There is a proposal that charter schools boards have two parents of current students on the board. Some of the board members expressed concern about confidentiality if this were to happen.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by the board with a change of item number 5, being moved to the beginning of the agenda.

3. APPROVE MINUTES FROM October 27, 2010 MEETING

The board approved the minutes from the October 27, 2010 meeting.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No President's Report was given.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Building Lease

The building lease expires in March. Tim Kretschmar and Mike Cate will meet with Krys Bart at the Airport Authority.

b. House Appraisal

The board approved to accept the certified appraisal of the house. The board approved to notice the house for sale, once Mike Cate has negotiated the land price with the school district.

c. Monitoring Status

ACE is exempt from monitoring by the school district for this year and next year. A memo from the school district, stating the exemption, was distributed to the board.

d. OCR Final Report

A letter from the Civil Rights Office was handed out to the board. OCR found that ACE does not deny students with behavior problems from being admitted.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Special Education Services Contract
The Special Education Services contract was distributed and the board approved the contract.

- b. Board Nominations
 1. New Board Terms
The following board members were nominated and voted unanimously by the board to serve another three year term: Mike Cate, Laurie Coombs, Michele Daugherty, Tim Kretzschmar, Dale Lowery and Chuck Morrison. Two new board members were voted on to serve a two year term: Justin Ivory and Jeff Klippenstein. The board approved the results of the election. Tim Heydon was elected as the new president. Paul Georgeson is the 1st Vice President.

 2. New 2nd Vice President
Laura Walsh was nominated and approved by the board to be the 2nd Vice President.

- c. Building Site 2011/2012
Mike Cate will have the paper work from the Fire Department by Tuesday. He will meet with Mark Stanton and Heath Morrison to secure next year's lot for the house. Ed mentioned there is a sliver of land about 15 to 20 feet next to this lot.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment made.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, February 16, 2011 at 3:00 p.m., at the Academy for Career Education at 2800 Vassar St., Reno, NV 89502.

The meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.