

Meeting of The Board University Academy
December 3, 2015
6:00 pm—University Academy

Meeting was called to order at 6:04

Present: Jacob, Mara, Jeff, and Amir

Notice of this meeting was posted on the website and posted at the school. It was also emailed to parents.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. A motion was made by Amir to approve the minutes from the September 3 meeting. Mara seconded. All were in favor. Minutes were approved.
2. A motion was made by Jeff to make policy changes to the dress code as suggested by the dress code committee. Amir seconded. Three were in favor and Mara voted nay. The vote carried 3-1.
3. A motion was made by Mara to decline the Bay Haven contract for transportation. The motion was seconded by Jeff. All were in favor. The vote carried 4-0
4. A motion was made by Mara to for a policy committee to clean up the language of attendance and dress code policies. Jacob seconded. The vote carried 4-0.
5. A motion was made by Mara to approve the plan for Teacher Appraisal Documents. Amir seconded. All were in favor. The vote carried 4-0.

NOTES:

1. Our demographic statistics are as follows: University Academy currently has 367 students enrolled K-6th and 21 PreK students. 60 are minority, 40 ESE, 121 Free and Reduced Lunch, and 50 military. We have had 17 changes in the lottery (1 due to death, 1 moved, 2 sports, 2 bussing, and 2 transferred within the school).
2. Dress Code: The dress code committee (Jeff Carter, Elizabeth Crowe, Leslie Gortemoller, and Kelly Forehand) met to change policy on the color of hose and socks allowed to be worn at UA. Kelly Forehand spoke disapproval of the committee suggestion before the board.
3. Transportation: A review of the Transportation contract from Bay Haven proved difficult in that our students would be second priority to the students of Bay Haven. We are still gathering quotes from Sunshine Shuttle and hope to have a solution for the future.
4. Attendance: Our attendance policy is not compliant with Bay District Schools nor Florida Statute 1003. Mara and Judy wrote the policy manual, and they would like additional members on the committee—Elizabeth and a teacher she appoints to clean up the language and bring us into compliance.

5. Phase II is contingent on approval for financing. We have received a proposal from Summit Bank, but would like to receive others. We have developed a proposal that we will be offering to various banks and are requesting feedback by December 16, 2015. Our goal is to begin demolition work now by using the \$6000 in contingency funds as well as begin the bidding process for the buildout components. DAG has completed our plans and is willing to begin work before we secure financing in order to keep the project on schedule. It is our goal to begin construction officially on or near February 15.
6. We had an emergency at University Academy during pick-up time, and an ambulance was unable to easily fit through our parent pick up line and reach the front of the school. In order to prepare for the future, we will be changing the pick up route to loop in a different path around the school. This change is a temporary fix until Phase II is complete and will be effective January 1.
7. Our parent liaison requested to be absent to this meeting as she was out of town and unable to attend.
8. Our audit and annual review from Bay District was perfect.
9. We have a UA student who volunteers at the Rescue Mission begin a food drive, and UA students collected 1100 cans in 3 days.
10. MAPS testing results were great. We scored in the 75% while Bay District scored in the 50%.
11. Science Fair judging occurred today by 6 Navy Base representatives. Awards will be given and winners announced at 8am tomorrow morning.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 16 at 6:00 pm, University Academy.

A motion was made to adjourn by Mara and seconded by Amir. All were in favor. The meeting ended at 7:28.

Respectfully Submitted by Mara Harrison