



Early Light Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 29, 2008

Place: Daybreak Community Center, 4544 Harvest Moon Drive, South Jordan, UT

Attendees: Mia Prazen, Julie Thomas, Kevin Passey, Jennifer Jacobsen, Dawn Kawaguchi (Academic), Kim Dohrer (Academica), Mary Cannon (Policies and Procedures)

The mission of the Early Light Academy is to deliver a high-quality education with a deep, rich and engaging curriculum utilizing effective instructional techniques and emphasizing history, taking our students from the Stone Age to the Space Age, the Information Age and beyond.

Minutes

Call to Order - 9:02 a.m. by Mia Prazen

Consent Items

- *Vote to Approve July 2, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes* - Minutes read by Jen. Mia moved to approve the July minutes. Kevin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Business Items (To Be Discussed And Voted On)

- *Vote to Approve Dual Enrollment Policy* - Policy read by Dawn. Julie moved to approve Dual Enrollment Policy as it is written. Kevin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- *Vote to Approve Final Web Design Template* - Web design template was view by Board and revised concept explained by Julie. Mia moved to approve final web design. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- *Vote to Approve Vending Machine Policy* - Mia reviewed the Vending Machine Policy. Kim made a suggestion to add the word "faculty" before "vending" in the last sentence. Mia motioned to approve this policy with the change suggested by Kim. Jen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Other Business Items (For Discussion Only)

- *Review Wellness Policy* - Mia discussed the Wellness Policy. The policy is still in the revision process but have a few different ideas/options that are being considered by the Board. Focus today is on food in the classroom which is not a lunchroom policy. Mia reviewed the options that the Board is considering regarding food in the classroom (i.e. Birthdays, Halloween, Valentine's Day, etc.) She went through the pros and cons of each option. Teachers may be able to bring in food for teaching purposes only with limitations by the Board or notifying the parents in advance. Celebrating birthdays is allowed but possibly to bring an item or activity (i.e. eraser, notebook, etc.) instead of food. Mia stated that the Board does not want to reward students with food. There are many other activities that can be engaging for the students other than food.
- *Review Dress Code Policy* - Dress Code Policy was reviewed by Mary. Restrictions and advantages were addressed. No logos on clothes unless it's ELA logoed clothes. Hair styles and socks are not restricted so it allows the students' expression as long as it is not distracting. Julie brought up that backpacks should have no gang related graffiti printed on it. Faculty dress is also addressed but left open for the director's discretion. The Board is still making changes to this policy.

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Public Comment (Comments to be limited to 3 minutes each)

Several comments made by parents were both for and against the “no food” policy. The statement that was continually brought up was that you shouldn’t use food as a reward. There were also some comments made about the Dress Code Policy and clarification on the Dress Code Policy.

Adjourn - 9: 44 a.m. Mia made the motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Julie seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.