

Minutes
11/8/16

Harrison call to order.

Approve minutes. Move: Slocum Second: Bingham. Passed

Financial update: Slocum and Kleiner raised questions about the 700 budget line. We asked Red Apple to give us a breakdown on the items in the 700 category. Mike was asked about proper control mechanism related to spending over budget in a particular. He indicated that typically Board approval is required to spend above the approved budget in a category. Janet indicated that this policy would not be a problem.

Motion by Slocum: The school may not spend above the approved budgeted amount in any major budget category (100-level).

Second: Willis.

Passed.

Adams will report specifics of the overspending in the 700 category to Board at next meeting.

Insurance update: Our current (pre-ACA) plan cannot be renewed. We will need to get a new plan which is likely to give a lower level of coverage and higher cost. Kleiner will continue to discuss this with the staff and insurance agent. The Board will need to select a new plan in the summer of 2017.

Permission slip issue update. Adams reported on an issue of a student injury from a field trip. The school was not negligent and communications to parents were sufficient. However, this raises issues of how we do permission slips. Vouvalis will work with Adams to develop strong permission slips and procedures.

School lunch support update Participating in the Federal school lunch program is prohibitive in terms of administrative costs. Current program is realizing a small excess, even with free lunches provided as necessary.

PBIS Funding Adams will negotiate with Pinkelman regarding conducting research at BRCS.

Volunteer background checks No action.

SCA updates Lots of school activities. Spirit sleeves. T-shirts. Successful spirit week and Green Science Fair. All very good.

Competitive Grant Applications Adams is working on a grant to the State Charter School Board.

Compliance services Opportunity to access Medicaid money to supplement our Special Education funds. Adams recommended to not pursue this.

Fall Public Meeting discussion Teacher meeting this Friday. Parent meeting - Tuesday Nov 29 at 5:30.

Teacher Retention At the Board-Teacher meeting, we should ask teachers about what kinds of things would make this a school that they would want to stay with for the next 10 years.

Adams will make a specific proposal with budget at next meeting.

Building update Discussion of pending estimates on various work that may be required were BRCS to purchase the building.

Adjourned