

Dubois Integrity Academy
Governance Board Meeting
Monday, July 18, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Ms. Sonya Lewis, Dr. Chapman, Mr. Bo Culver and Lt. Col Dee Morris

Quorum Present

The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m.

**The Board will not be voting on the School Nutrition Policy at this meeting.
Motion to table Nutrition Policy was made by Ms. Lewis and Seconded by Dr. Chapman. (Motion Carried Unanimously)**

Ms. Lewis motioned to approve Previous Meeting Minutes, seconded by Dr. Chapman. (Motion Carried Unanimously)

Financial Report

- ❖ The Consortium presented the financial report to the board. (Balance Sheet and monthly activity).
- ❖ The Audit is underway conducted by the firm of Doug Erwin CPA
- ❖ The audit is due to the SCSC by October 1, 2016.
- ❖ Current employees are paid on a 12 month basis, which reflects 10 months of work by contract.
- ❖ DIA is also in process of reviewing new options for health coverage

Executive Director/Principal Report

- ❖ Phase two building components will be complete by July 25th. This is a tight schedule but should allow us time to move in prior to our August 8 opening.
- ❖ DIA has completed move out from the Methodist Church where the 3-5 grades were housed on a temporary basis last year.
- ❖ DIA has hired Professional movers to set furniture in the classrooms.
- ❖ Our student enrollment for FY17 will be between 625-650 students. We are at capacity with a waiting list of 500 plus students. Our returning students rate is about 90%.
- ❖ The Orientation Event will be held at the Georgia Dome on August 5th at 6:30 p.m. Students will be coming in uniform. We are expected 3000 students, parents & family to be in attendance.
- ❖ School open house will be held on Saturday August 6th from 10 am-2pm on August 6th with the first day of school being Monday August 8th.
- ❖ The Riverdale Police have been hired to assist with traffic control.

School Improvement Plan

DIA's Academic Team along with the Consortium presented FY16 Student Achievement results and improvement plan.

- ❖ Data was compared with feeder schools
- ❖ Dr. Payne stated that the data was not as favorable as DIA would like, but a plan of action will be put in place to measure the academic progress and then improve the scores.
- ❖ A baseline test will be administered at all levels (MAP) in August, December and February.
- ❖ The system will determine how to fill in the gap and tell DIA where they are with the action plan to increase student achievement.
- ❖ MAP the Measurement Assessment Program or The Educational Assessment Monitoring Tool was presented to get the student to achieve 70% and higher
- ❖ This supplemental instructional resource is essential to getting the DIA students to improve in their learning.
- ❖ The Plan of Action to increase student achievement consist of PowerMyLearning, I-ready, Study Island, MyOn, and Achieve 3000, which

are all resources used to focus on student achievement. For example, Study Island links with MAP to ensure school-wide data is systemically used to improve student achievement.

- ❖ The administrative team and instructional coaches will closely monitor the effective implementation of all resources. Daily common planning time with coaches to plan student intervention and acceleration, and weekly data meetings to provide support for teachers on using their data to drive instruction.

The Instructional Coaches made presentation on Student Achievement and of Pre-Gifted Students, 51 students scored 91% or higher and 38 of the students are coming from kindergarten.

Public Comments

Ms. Sonya Gray (Parent) had a question regarding if there are assessments after they read the books in Reading and Math. Dr. Liddell stated that Science and Social Studies should be done individually. She also asked if parents will get the assessments and Dr. Liddell stated yes. One of the coaches stated that they also will have content of assessment. Ms. Gray's concern was that parent support and accountability is important and education does not seem to be the main goal in this culture in Riverdale. The Executive Director stated that they are working on parent engagement and tutorial opportunities for parents.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.