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Spectrum Academy Board of Directors Minutes of April 19, 2012 Business Meeting

Date & Time	April 19, 2012: 7:05 P.M. – 8:43 P.M.
Location	Spectrum Academy High School, North Salt Lake
Members Present	Marney DeVroom, Brandon Savage, Marcy Johnson, Kyle Andersen, Jason Steenblik and Dennis M. Bullard
Spectrum Staff Present	Brad Nelson, Jaime Christensen, Rebecca Peterson, Krisanne Lewis and Jandy Stelter
Members Excused	Rozanne Marsh
Guests Present	Jana Gold, Christina Guevara, Jandy Stelter and four interested persons

BUSINESS ITEMS DISCUSSED

- The minutes of the March 14, 2012 regular board meeting (previously provided to the board members) were approved as drafted.
- Kyle Andersen presented Jana Gold's application for membership on the board. Jana Gold then introduced herself to the board. She is a teacher in Canyons School District and the parent of a Spectrum Academy student. She has extensive experience working with children on the autism spectrum. *Motion was made by Kyle Andersen to approve Jana Gold as a member of the Spectrum Academy Board of Directors, seconded by Dennis Bullard, unanimously approved.*
- Kyle Andersen informed the board that the next board meeting will be his last as a member of the board. He will remain involved in the Safe School program as an advisor.
- Financial Report and Budget. Jason Steenblik and Brad Nelson provided an overview of financial reports and budget. An overview of relevant end of school year funding and expenditures was also provided. *Motion was made by Marcy Johnson to approve financial reports and budget as presented, seconded by Kyle Andersen, unanimously approved.*
- Marney DeVroom informed the board that Jason Steenblik's wife is an on-call substitute teacher at Spectrum Academy. As Mrs. Steenblik has no input whatsoever regarding policy or direction, the board determined there were no conflict of interest issues in this regard.
- Jaime Christensen briefed the board regarding the filing of expansion applications with requested waiver of two year rule. The first application is for an expansion of 300 students; the second application is for a satellite campus expansion of 400 students. The waiver requests were submitted due to the potential use of buildings already constructed. The applications are presently under review with the Charter School Board. Marney DeVroom expressed the board's appreciation for the work put into getting the applications submitted in a short time.

- Jaime Christensen briefed the board regarding the SY 2011-12 School Lands Trust Progress Report and the draft plan for SY 2012-13. *Motion was made by Brandon Savage to approve the SY2011-12 School Lands Trust Progress Report as presented, seconded by Marcy Johnson, unanimously approved.*
- Dennis Bullard briefed the board on the “Stand4Change” program, which is a nationwide initiative for schools children to stand-up against bullying at 12:00 p.m. EDT/ 10:00 a.m. MDT. Several local school districts are participating; the projected count of participating students nationwide is over 1,000,000. Spectrum Academy’s students will participate in this program.
- Rebecca Peterson provided an update regarding the elementary school. She discussed common core subject mastery checklists and curriculum development. She briefed the board on an initiative to develop a 220 day school schedule for functional skills students. She also provided an update as to the Weber State University “Prime Grant” program which is now in-place for general education-certified teachers to work towards obtaining their special education licensure.
- Jandy Stelter provided an update as to the activities of the elementary school teachers.
- Jaime Christensen provided an update regarding the secondary school and the academic committee. She provided an overview of the high school students’ work on cross-curriculum instruction conducted on Fridays wherein the students learn about how various subjects overlap (i.e. English and math). She further provided an overview of the middle school students’ projects centered around the running of a city named “Biztown” and how the various elements within a city operate together.
- Christina Guevara provided an update as to the training that was provided to the academic committee (i.e. state standards, lesson plans, etc.) in order to better help the committee members understand the processes involved in developing classes.
- Jaime Christensen provided the board with a proposed calendar for SY 2012-13 which she will be forwarding to the state. She discussed the requirements for board members, employees and volunteers to have a criminal background check on-file with the school. She provided an update of the 2012 legislation as it pertains to Spectrum Academy. She also discussed transition programs with Utah Valley University and Davis Applied Technology Center. She will continue to look into programs that can become available to Spectrum Academy students.
- Marcy Johnson discussed safety and security issues. She discussed the “Risk management Self Survey” which is due to the state by June 1, 2012. There was discussion regarding fire drills and a possible lock-down drill. Marcy Johnson is also working on identification badges for faculty and staff.
- Brad Nelson provided an update on the second floor completion project and the elementary school offices update. He also provided information on a fundraising project underway for the school being conducted by “Ryans Pennies.”
- Dennis Bullard announced the receipt of funding for a scoreboard for the secondary school gym.

PUBLIC SESSION

There were no public comments offered to the board.

- *Motion to close board meeting was moved by Marcy Johnson, seconded by Dennis Bullard, and unanimously approved by the board.*

Meeting adjourned: April 19, 2012 @ 8:43 PM

Next meeting: May 12, 2012 @ 10:00 AM (Strategic Planning Meeting)

Approved by the Board:

June 2, 2012

Date


Dennis M. Bullard

Dennis M. Bullard, Secretary