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Regular Meeting of the Norton Science and Language Academy School Board Committee

Meeting Minutes

May 16th, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman, Duberly Beck called the meeting to order at 7:36 a.m.

Present: Duberly Beck and Peter Torres (arrived at 7:48 a.m.)

Absent: Marcia Vargas, Andrew Jaramillo

Staff members Lisa Lamb, Toni Preciado, Myrna Foster, Ryan Dorcey, Jim Quinn, Marcelo Congo, Angelica Lopez, and Angelica Ramos were in attendance.

Angel Arrington represented the SBCSS.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

-Duberly Beck announced Scott Johnson has resigned due other personal commitments.

3. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

.01 Employee of the Semester recognitions

-Marcelo Congo (School Psychologist)

-Angelica Lopez (SPED Instructional Aide)

4. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

.01 Update of 9-12 Grades (Lisa Lamb)

-There is meeting with SBCUSD, SBCSS, and San Bernardino City regarding moving forward with facilities and/or more negotiations in moving forward into High School. The purpose of meeting is to improve NSLA facilities for students and room for more growth.

.02 Introduction of the new NSLA Principal, Dr. Fausto Barragan

-Toni Preciado gave a brief status update on the new NSLA Principal, Dr. Fausto Barragan. He comes with experience as Principal in the LAUSD and Oceanside USD. We are currently waiting for his fingerprint clearance. Dr. Barragan will be a great fit for our NSLA students and staff. He has been communicating with Toni and is eager to start.

-Lisa Lamb feels Dr. Barragan brings a wealth of experience to our NSLA campus. Dr. Barragan has passion for academic improvements and support to teachers.

.03 Approval of April meeting minutes.

-April minutes will be tabled for approval at the June 12th board meeting as a quorum was not present.

5. **INFORMATION INCLUDED IN PACKET:**

.01 Principals Report (Toni Preciado)

-NSLA is in the final week of CAASPP testing this week. The second session of Rockets in Training will be June 5th.

- May 1st was the first Rockets in Training session, where 67 family were present.

- TKs meet and greet session will be held on May 23rd

-NSLA Fieldtrips:

- 4th grade Olvera Street fieldtrip in Los Angeles/ May 24th Mineral City fieldtrip.

- 5th grade fieldtrip to iFly in Ontario.

- HERO Health Club (Middle Grades) will be taking a trip to the San Bernardino Blood Bank in June with Heather O'Bier and Juliana Terean.

- TK Fieldtrip to Inland Empire Gymnastics Academy on June 6th.

-PTO had its annual Color Run/Rocket Races, they raised \$3,000.00 for next year's school fund.

-Staffing updates: 2 teaching moving on to other districts and 1 teacher who will be retiring.

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-8th grade promotion, NSLA Board members received tickets to attend the NSLA 8th grade promotion. The event will take place on June 7th at Sturges Center of the Fine Arts in San Bernardino from 5:00 pm-7:30 pm.

-Board members are encouraged to attend any or all school end of the year events.

.02 Financial Reports (Jim Quinn)

-Jim Quinn briefly clarified the status of the 2017-18 budget. The finance committee will be presented the budget on May 23rd for approval. On the next LCER board meeting, the finalized budget will be presented to the LCER board for approval. Mr. Quinn would like a workshop with the NSLA school board committee to discuss the school budget comparatives. Our spending is at 87% we are 10 months into the fiscal year.

-Duberly Beck would like to move forward with the workshop, and would like a quarterly breakdown of the revenue sources and LCER support. She would also like a visual and breakdown in percentages for all NSLA funding with LCER supports.

6. **BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS:**

-Duberly Beck expressed gratitude to the NSLA administrative team for the past 3 months. She has seen so much unity and more culture on the NSLA campus. She is very excited to hear we have teachers who have left and are returning to NSLA for the 2017-18 school year.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Duberly Beck at 8:03 a.m.