

Academy for Academic Excellence School Board Committee
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors

Minutes
May 8, 2008

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Kevin Porter at 7:30 a.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL:

Directors David Bains, Robert Lovingood, Kevin Porter Reid Robsahm and Russell Stringham were present.

Directors Don Frawley and Dan Leary were absent.

Staff members Chip Kling, Kathy Riggs, Paul Rosell, Gordon Soholt and Cheryl Thompson were present.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

4.0 BOARD MEMBER RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

5.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

.01 Approve Financial Report for April 2008

.02 Approve Minutes from April 10, 2008

.03 Approve Overnight Field Trip – Melodious Step Dance Team – Las Vegas, CA

.04 Approve Out-of-State Field Trip – Washington D.C., Williamsburg, Gettysburg – September 2008

.05 Approve Out-of-State Field Trip – AFJROTC Washington D.C., October 2008

On a motion by Reid Robsahm, seconded by Russell Stringham, vote 5-0, the Board of Directors approved Consent Agenda items 6.01 – 6.04.

Item 6.05 was pulled from list by Reid Robsahm who expressed concern for the lack of female chaperones when female students would be attending the fieldtrip and also for the student/chaperone ratio being 10-1 for a week-long, out-of-state field trip. School policy is student/chaperone ratio 10-1; however, board members would like to reserve the right to modify field trip requests on a case by case basis.

On a motion by Reid Robsahm, seconded by Russell Stringham, vote 5-0, the Board of Directors approved Consent Agenda item 6.05 with modifications to instruct AFJROTC to include two (2) female chaperones, increasing the student/chaperone ratio to 5-1 and insuring gender split.

7.0 **CORRESPONDENCE:** None

8.0 **INFORMATION**

.01 Gordon Soholt gave an update on AAE math instructor, Steve Holifield. Gordon met with the head of the cafeteria and her manager to find resolution to issues presented at the last meeting. Also, as follow-up to the last meeting Gordon reported that he currently looking into GPS system for bus. The AAE middle school soccer team made playoffs but lost the first game. Middle school boys' basketball team won their first playoff game. The question was raised if AAE has considered having 8-man football. Gordon stated that we hope to build a soccer/football field with Prop 1D funding. Cheryl Thompson stated that the Feasibility Study is complete and a detailed report will be given at the June 9th Foundation Board meeting.

9.0 **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

.01 Discussion items: Reid Robsahm is currently working with Chip Kling regarding gathering staff/parent/board support in creating a Mock Trail Team for high school students from AAE. A manual has been given to Chip Kling for review.

.02 Gordon Soholt proposed rescheduling the June meeting date since June 12th is the last day of school. It was suggested to change the date/time to Monday, June 9th at 8:00 a.m., one hour before the Foundation Board meeting. The location for both meetings is DM/SELPA.

10.0 **ACTION ITEMS:** None

11.0 **STAFF COMMENTS**

Paul Rosell reported the Special Education Department is gearing up for the opening of NSAA. Love & Logic will continue to be held on Thursday mornings and evenings for parents and will also continue with staff at St. Mary's Medical Center. Character Development is currently being considered to complement our current Love & Logic program on campus.

Chip Kling reported that interviews for a 6th grade instructor, 2 math instructors and a MS/HS counselor have been ongoing with final decisions being made next week. Our P.E./Health instructor has accepted a college-level coaching position in Fullerton and has submitted his letter of resignation. This position will be posted immediately. Grade reports for seniors have gone out; this report determines who will or will not be graduating this year.

12.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

David Bains asked how the transition of power was going. Chip Kling responded that the staff is transitioning smoothly. With Gordon handling much of NSAA this year, it has been a natural for staff to approach Chip, as Vice Principal, with their needs. The transition will be official at the end of the current school year. Mr. Bains also asked how the STEM Initiative is progressing. Cheryl Thompson reported that we are partnering with UCR and that it is something that will take time to evolve.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by David Bains, seconded by Robert Lovingood, vote 5-0, there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen J. Riggs, Principal's Administrative Assistant