

Meeting Minutes for Desert Heights Charter Schools

Governing Board Meeting

February 23, 2016

5:00 P.M.

Desert Heights Preparatory Academy

3540 W Union Hills Drive

Glendale, Arizona

Gym Conference Room

Board Meeting Agenda:

1. Call to Order @ 4:57 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Tony Elliott—on phone

Manuel Robles—present

Judie Kupillas--present

3. Public Comment

Robert VandLaarhoven and Gosia VanLaarhoven presented their versions of events when recently attending a basketball game and refused to pay the fees associated with entry to the game. The situation escalated, and police were called, and Robert VandLaarhoven was removed from the campus. The VandLaarhovens claim that better communication should've occurred. The VandLaarhovens were referred to Mark Jiles as point of contact.

4. Consent Agenda

a) Approval of meeting minutes January 26, 2016 Regular Meeting (**Approved**)

Operational Update Reports

a) Current enrollment & attendance rate

- Attendance: 99.6% attendance rate at DHPA; 97.6% attendance rate at DHCS

b) President's / Chairman report

- Projections for enrollment for the 2016-2017 DHCS: 424 DHPA: 453. 20 incomplete enrollment packets for new students.
- APEX fun run at the elementary campus raised \$10,000 so far to raise money for new smart TVs for that campus.
- APS pilot program application to upgrade charter school's energy efficiency was filled out and submitted in hopes of receiving money to make upgrades on all campuses.

b) Review of most recent financial reports

Bond holders want a revised budget. The budget forecast has been completed for January to June 2016.

c) Facilities update & condition report

Carpet is needed in classrooms in the 300 and 400 building

5. Agenda Items:

a) Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding preschool discount for Full-Time Teachers.

Scholarships would be awarded for new full-time teachers who qualify, and if they don't qualify 50% of their tuition would be covered.

Approval of preschool discount for Full-Time teachers (Judie/Tony)

b) Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding amended budget for FY 2015-2016.

Approval of amended budget for FY 2015-2016 (Judie/Tony)

c) Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding potential new Board Members.

Sherrie Blanton and Monica Thrist are potential new board members. Discussion occurred regarding the responsibilities and commitment of becoming a board member. No action taken.

d) Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding approval of tax credit fees for the current school year.

No Action taken.

Board Meeting Adjournment @ 6:10 p.m. (Judie/Tony)