

Meeting Minutes for Desert Heights Charter Schools
Regular Governing Board Meeting
August 20, 2019
5:00 p.m.

A Regular Board Meeting of the Governing Board for the Desert Heights Charter Schools, was held on August 20, 2019, at Desert Heights Elementary School, Cafeteria, 5821 W. Beverly Lane, Glendale, Arizona. The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

Manuel Robles, present (by telephone)
Sherrie Blanton, present
Nancy Diggs, present
Leanette Henagan, present
Margaret Martin, present
Mark Jiles, present

1. Public Comment

Per Board Policy, time has been set aside for public comment, an opportunity for people to express their views or concerns on matters of board governance to the entire board in a public setting.

No public comment.

2. Consent Items

Consent items are considered by a single motion with no discussion. All other items will be considered individually.

Minutes for July 9, 2019 regular meeting were approved

3. Operational Update Report

Enrollment is maintaining at approximately 904 with approximately 105 at preschool.

The fishbowl turf project has been completed and looks really good.

The recent financial report is looking good. Manny commended the school for controlling finances.

The charter is getting bids for one new roof that needs to be replaced.

The prep is working on the football field and may be doing a fundraiser. It is possible that we can find a company to do a match which could increase the funds.

REGULAR BUSINESS

4. Request to approve medical insurance

Upon motion by Margaret Martin, seconded by Nancy Diggs, the proposal for medical insurance was unanimously approved.

The Board realizes that the continuing increases in premiums is difficult and will be looking at various options that might be made available to assist with the costs.

5. Possible change to October 8, 2019 meeting date and approval of additional dates for remainder of year.

Nancy Parra will contact our financial firm and attempt to pin down what they needed for a change to the October 8 date. At the time, the October 8 date stands and the Board will look at dates in December at the October meeting.

6. Election of Board officers for 2019-2010

The following slate of officers was provided:

Sherrie Blanton, Chair; Nancy Diggs, Vice Chair; Margaret Martin, Secretary; and Leanette Henagan, Treasurer. Upon motion by Nancy Diggs, seconded by Sherrie Blanton, the slate as stated was unanimously approved.

The Board thanked Manuel Robles for his time served as Chair. Mr. Robles is a wealth of information and will continue to serve on the Board.

A discuss ensued regarding the need for study sessions. It was agreed that we would look into having student sessions for funding, how the school currently is dealing with mental health issues, and bonding. The Board will continue to add to the list as we move through the year.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Future meeting dates

October 8, 2019 and November 19, 2019