

Truxton Academy Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

September 11, 2023

Notice was provided on our website, www.truxtonacademy.org on Monday, September 4, 2023.

Call to order: The Public Hearing was called to order by President Stuart Young at 6:45 pm.

No comments were shared.

Motion by Cindy Denkenberger, second by Korinne L'Hommedieu, to close the public hearing.

All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Quorum as 5 trustees out of 6 total number of trustees was present as follows:

Members Present: Stuart Young, Korinne L'Hommedieu, Krysta Austen, Cindy Denkenberger, and Carol Woodhouse.

Members Absent: Tom Brown.

Others present: Patty Dawson and Kerryanne Schenck.

Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comments

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting August 14, 2023, were sent out to all members for review. Correction to spelling of Board Member L'Hommedieu's name acknowledged. Hearing no other corrections or objections, President Young accepted the minutes as presented.

School Report

Kerryanne reviewed data dashboard information. Also reported that we will not do schoolwide baseline assessments with MAP but will wait to use for growth point in October. IReady Math baseline assessments are being completed. Looking to purchase MClass for CKLA assessments going forward. Current percentages are on the dashboard. RTI/ and individual paths that come from the curriculum, will help fill gaps for each student.

Patty reported that Bill Clarke visited and suggested Kerryanne spend as much time as possible in classrooms coteaching and supporting as we start the year. She will be collaborating with Heather Felter for coaching as needed. Kay Reakes and Jamie Smart are putting together our volunteer network so we can coordinate for classroom assistance and assessments/RTI needs.

Board Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report. \$561,000 down due to loss of enrollment. Working on getting invoices collected.

We projected 114 students, and we are only at 78. Will review at the next finance committee meeting.

Projection shows we will be off budget \$38k. But numbers need to be scrubbed. We will need to fill fuel

oil in October and project approximately \$40,000. Patty reported that we will work with TCC on partnerships and continue to improve positive community relationships.

Finance Committee Report attached.

Personnel Committee

No report submitted to date. Carol reported that the new Teacher's Assistant declined to start due to personal scheduling conflicts. The committee agrees that we are okay not filling this role due to budget and staffing need changes due to enrollment.

Facilities Committee

No report submitted to date. Patty reported that the high tunnel was delivered Saturday, and that we finally received site approval for the small animal barn. Fiscal review is still underway, but we can proceed with ordering and planning site work. There is a meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 7pm to work out the details.

Curriculum Committee

No report submitted.

Marketing Committee

No Report submitted.

Special Committee Reports

Nutrition Committee

No Report.

Professional Advisory Committee

No report submitted.

Rural Life Lab Committee (formerly Agriculture Committee)

No report submitted.

Stuart moved to approve reports as given. With no objections, reports are approved.

Old Business

SAVE Plan

Motion by Korinne L'Hommedieu, second by Krysta Austen to approve SAVE Plan as submitted and having no comments at the public hearing held this evening. All in favor, none opposed.

Motion carried.

Reminder that BOT Training & Retreat has been scheduled for 9/21/2023 at 6pm with Bill Clarke.

Reminder that SUNY Renewal visit BOT interview was moved to Friday, November 3, 2023, at 5:30pm.

Stuart reported that he received and executed the agreement with new attorney Paul O'Neill from Barton Gillman, LLC. We will send a letter to Ellen Eagen terminating the previous agreement.

New Business

Motion by Cindy Denkenberger, seconded by Carol Woodhouse to approve budget amendment moving funds to cover the cost of new MClass assessment software to pair with CKLA. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Review and approve employee and family handbook.

Motion by Carol Woodhouse, seconded by Krysta Austen, to approve both handbooks as presented. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

School/Community Items

Sep 12 Facilities Committee Meeting 7pm
Sep 20 Parent Night & New SCA Interest event
Sep 21 Board Retreat & Training 6-8pm

Motion by Korinne L’Hommedieu, seconded by Cindy Denkenberger to enter Executive Session at 8:37pm to discuss a particular employee’s status. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Cindy Denkenberger, seconded by Carol Woodhouse, to exit Executive Session at 9:09pm. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Adjournment

President Stuart Young adjourned the meeting at 9:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Dawson

Executive Director