

Delta Board Meeting 11/21/13

Felix Robles called the meeting to order at 5:03

Rosiland San Felipe was introduced as a new board member, representing the parents' club

ATTENDANCE: Mary Gaukel Forster, Felix Robles, Rosiland San Felipe, Mary Altier, Claudia Vestal, Dennis Bailey-Fougner, Patrick Saporito, Kit Anderton

No public comment

No student Rep./ student Govt. report. Brian is teaching the student Govt. class on Fridays. Felix volunteered to attend to explain the role of the Board.

TEACHER REPORT: Patrick is teaching immigration and the Spanish American War. He is emphasizing research and evidence and how to back up arguments. The teachers feel safe and supported. Mary Altier commented on career day and how engaged the students were. It was a tribute to the teachers.

MINUTES: Last meeting's minutes were approved unanimously

CONSENT AGENDA: #6 was pulled for discussion and the consent agenda was approved unanimously.

EXIT POLICY: this was pulled from the consent agenda. It is an amendment to a policy passed last Spring. Charter schools are now recognized as schools of choice by the State and are legally allowed to end a relationship with a student without formal expulsion. This amendment would increase student due process. If passed, Mary will send it to legal for review.

The exit policy was passed unanimously.

PROP 30 1ST INTERIM REPORT: Dennis confirmed that the Board must approve every cent of expenditure and it must be public. We should be aware that this money is short term. Mary would like a Board study session in December to discuss Prop. 30 and staff raises retroactive to 7/12. The meeting was set for Monday 12/2 from 5:30 to 7:00. Prop 30 proviso was passed unanimously.

COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION: students need computer skills and access to computers. Chrome books are \$249 each. Mary would like to buy one for each student. All assessments would be on Chrome books. Dennis feels that Common Core is the best step in school reform he's seen.

CALIF. CHARTER SCHOOL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE: Mary's report: lots of discussion of common core. API will be suspended as new state standards are used.

Charter schools must meet these standards or be liable to rejection by their chartering agency. there will also be a local control spending plan.

SCHOOL OPERATIONS UPDATE: enrollment is stable, male/female ratio is close to parity, racial diversity is more in line with the county. The drop in 1st generation college is due to a switch to Dept. of Ed guidelines.

PARENT REPORT: Rosiland reported that at a recent Parent Club meeting there were 4 parents. They were enthusiastic and had lots of ideas about Spring fundraising. 12 people apologized for not attending, will attend in the future. The club will support teacher appreciation day. The Drive for Schools raised \$6100.

ADJOURN: 6:20 unanimously