

Truxton Academy Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

May 8, 2023

Notice was provided on our website, www.truxtonacademy.org on Monday, May 1, 2023.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by President Stuart Young at 7:04pm.

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

Members Present: Stuart Young, Tom Brown, Cindy Denkenberger, Sarah Stevens, and Krysta Austen.

Members Absent: Korinne L'Hommedieu

Others present: Patty Dawson, Kerryanne Schenck, Carol Woodhouse

Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comments

Erin Kelly commented that she and other parents are concerned about parent representation on the Board, as current members labeled as such do not currently have children enrolled. She shared that she feels parents would feel better represented by parents with currently enrolled students.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting April 10, 2023 were sent out to all members for review. Hearing no corrections or objections, President Young accepted the minutes as presented.

School Report

Kerryanne Schenck shared the updated Board Data Dashboard which is attached and available on our website. She also reported that the SUNY pre-visit call took place last Friday. SUNY asked about our reaction to testing scores and their previous visit report. Kerryanne expressed her personal disappointment but added that we have been diligently working toward correction and improvement with targeted instruction and implementation of a rigorous RTI program. She was proud to share that 75% of students now receive individualized instruction. She also stated concern regarding Math assessments fall to winter, still lacking in growth in math, which for her validates the recommendation to change Math curriculum. The curriculum committee has been discussing this as an option.

Stuart remarked that during the call, they expressed that we make sure to share the unique aspects of Truxton Academy. Krysta added, in a data driven, measurable way. Kerryanne shared that going forward, teachers will be required to do at least one PBL project per quarter. She has scheduled PBL Works for professional development for teacher training and to ensure learning is measurable.

Leadership Council

Patty spoke briefly with Sheri and Michelle regarding options for Math focused summer school. Both are interested in collaborating on plans.

Board Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report attached. Tom reported that Korinne shared reports. Figures show that we will just about break even, maybe \$20k under. Patty shared invoicing to districts is behind. When Korinne returns we will review to determine where it was left off and get started again.

Tom reported that next year's budget is still being worked on. Projected enrollment is still around 112 to date. That could leave us \$50k behind. They are working on a neutral balance. Will have budget to review and vote on next month.

Finance Committee

Report attached.

Personnel Committee

Report attached. They are looking to set a joint meeting with Finance on May 17, 2023.

Facilities Committee

No report submitted. Barn paperwork corrections are nearing completion. We will submit as soon as they are completed.

Curriculum Committee

Report attached. Tom reported that they are a large and diverse group – working diligently and working to respectfully hear and share all view points.

Marketing Committee

No Report attached. Next meeting is slated for 5/17. Targeted marketing for older grades will be the focus.

Special Committee Reports

Nutrition Committee

No Report. NSLP audit correction plan was submitted. FRLP paperwork on public plan.

Professional Advisory Committee

No report submitted.

Transportation Committee

No report submitted.

Educational Excellence Committee (Fundraising Committee)

No report submitted. Tom reported that the building grant was submitted. We should hear around June.

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

New Business

Approval of 2023-2024 school calendar.

School/Community Items

May 12 Muffins with Moms 11am
May 15 Educational Excellence Committee Meeting 6:30pm
May 17 Personnel Committee Meeting 12pm
May 17 Marketing Committee Meeting 7pm
May 18 STEM in PE Night 6pm
May 24-25 SUNY CSI Evaluation Visit
May 24 SUNY CSI Board Interview 5:30 pm
May 29 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day

Motion by Tom, Brown, seconded Krysta Austen to enter executive session at 9:03pm to discuss a specific employee's status. Carol Woodhouse was asked to stay due to her position on the Personnel Committee. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Brown, seconded by Sarah Stevens to exit executive session at 9:24pm. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Krysta Austen reported that personnel received and acknowledged resignations from Marci Francis effective 6/23/2023 and Felicia Downing effective 5/12/2023, respectively.

Adjournment

President Stuart Young adjourned the meeting at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Dawson, Recording Secretary