

Minutes from the CVCS GC Meeting May 9, 2007.  
Taken by John Benson after Jill left at about 7:30pm..

### **VIII. Department Reports**

#### b. Business manager's report

The CVCS budget for 2007-2008 has been submitted to PED. There is a meeting set up with PED to review the CVCS budget. This is routine. The budget for next year will be tight, as usual.

### **IX. Correspondence and Announcements**

#### 1. SB189, GC Hiring Authority

As a result of Senate Bill 189 being passed and signed by the governor, charter school governing councils retain the responsibility to hire and fire staff members.

#### 2. Request to Tighten Uniform Policy

A letter from Jeanne Gacanich was presented to the board. Jeanne expressed the opinion that the Dress Policy should be kept simple, and that only solid colors be allowed for shirts.

### **X. Committee updates**

#### 1. GC Election

John B. reported that the Governing Council Election was held Tuesday, May 1, from 7:45 am to 7:00 pm. Eighty three people voted. The new parent members are : Holly Weinkauff, Peter Mosley and Frank Huang. The community member, Jim Shepherd, was reelected. The role of active GC members in the election was discussed. GC members who are not candidates may supervise and assist at polling places, but volunteers are supposed to man the polling places and count the ballots.

#### 2. Parents Association

Kim reported on the two PA meeting held in this month. The first meeting mainly concerned the CVCS Home Schooling Policy. Mary N. presented the reasons behind the policy adopted for 2007-2008 to the parents. A long discussion followed. A small number of parents are dissatisfied with the policy. At the second PA meeting, the Dress Code and the Spanish Program were discussed. There were nearly thirty parents in attendance. The majority of the parents like the dress code, they want the dress code to be kept simple and the want it enforced. Most parents of elementary school children are very happy with the Spanish program. They like the way the Spanish language is integrated with art , music and games. Some middle school parents expressed concerns over the Spanish class homework and reports to parents. Kim suggested that the PA be provided with a draft of the upcoming GC Meeting's agenda. We will do this.

#### 3. Facilities

Pat Hamilton and Jim S. reported. Pat reported on her visits to recently constructed charter schools in Santa Fe and Taos. The 'off-site' constructed building look very good. Pat presented three written Facilities Funding Reports to the board. The first describes in detail her meetings with the CVCS Foundation, charter school principals, PSFA, Karsten Homes Direct and Facility Build. The second and third reports list sources for grants, loans, foundations and other funding.

### **XI. Old Business**

#### 1. Revise Grievance Procedure

Kate B. presented a revised version of the new proposed Parent Grievance Policy. Much discussion occurred. A rewritten version will be presented at the next GC meeting.

### **XII. New Business**

#### 1. Review Dress Policy 2007-2008

Two changes were proposed to the current Dress Policy, any solid color is allowed for shirts/pants/skirts and black or blue denim pants/skirts/shorts are not permitted.

**XIII. Items for next meeting, June 13, 2007**

Grievance Policy, induct new board members, elect new board officers

**XVI. Executive Session**

Roll call : Richard-aye; John-aye; Kim-aye; Kate-aye; Jim-aye; Nancy-aye;

Executive Session ended

New administrator contract signed

**XVII. Adjourn**