

Cottonwood Valley Charter School Governing Council Regular Meeting January 14, 2009 – 7:00 pm

- I. Call Meeting to Order John
- II. Pledge of Allegiance All
- III. Ascertain Quorum
John Benson, Harry Straley, Frances Deters, Peter Mozley, Jim Shepherd, Kim Schaffer
- IV. Reading and Approval of Agenda
Agenda approved as ammended. All ayes.
- V. Reading and Approval of December 10th minutes
Approved as ammended. All ayes
- Va. Executive session
Roll call vote: John-aye, Harry-aye, Francie-aye, Peter-aye, Jim-aye, Kim-aye. A parent grievance was discussed. Executive session ended. No action taken.
- VI. Public Forum
No public present.
- VII. Teacher Representative Report 10 min. Kim S.
Teachers would like to have a storage shed for leveled books.
- VIII. Student Council Representative Report 5 min.
No member present.
- IX. Department Reports
- A. Administrator's Report 10 min. Karin W.
There is a flier being worked on through the district to encourage parents to vote on the General Obligation Bond. Barbara Trujillo (Karin's supervisor), was here on the 13th in grades 5-8 observing. If Karin does not get her certification by the end of this month (which she thinks she will), Barbara has given her a contract to continue on as her supervisor.
Our Training and Experience index is higher than the district's. John said the Science Olympiad parents have been very quiet. Kim Berlat is helping Nancy Engler from 2:00 to 3:00 every day as well as some after school work.
- B. Business Manager's Report 10 min. Mary
See Report from Budget meeting. Talked about whether there was enough money in the old bond to add on the one classroom. \$299,000 previous and another \$70,000 with the new bond. At this point it will be distributed over 4 years, but perhaps the district will allow us to use our portion because it is so small. The money has to be used for "stuff". No salaries or people, etc. Received a \$1,000 check for the 8th grade trip along the Rio Grande. Motion to approve a BAR. Motioned by Frances, all approved. Mary will attend a workshop on what schools under construction need to be aware of.
- X. Correspondence and Announcements
No correspondence or announcements.

- XI. Committee Updates 30 min
- A. Accountability John
Discussed short term assessments and specifying standards. A school improvement plan exists from last year's retreat.
 - B. Gifted John
No report this month.
 - C. Fundraising Peter
Cookbook is going to print at the end of January. The art students submitted designs for the cover.
 - D. Parent Association Kim
Barb Trujillo will talk about math at February's parent meeting.
 - E. Facilities Jim
The architect has stopped working because he has no contract with PSFA. Sharon Ball is looking into the problem. Building plans show two classrooms with the multi-purpose room, but unless the bond issue passes, there is no funding for the two classrooms. John suggested naming the building after an educator. The council agreed.
 - F. Computing /Technology
Still waiting for estimate from Joe Franklin.
 - G. Discipline Policy Comm. Karin
Teachers and parents are working on this.
- XII. Old Business
- A. GC Retreat 10 min John
The retreat will be held at Cramer Hall on January 24, 9:00am-3:00pm.
- XIII. New Business
- A. Charter School Day 15 min John
March 11.
 - B. Sick Leave Bank 10 min Karin
Idea was introduced and discussed. Policy needs to be written for more discussion.
 - C. Promotion of School Bond 10 min Karin
Karin will send home a flyer, get a volunteer coordinator to contact parents, and putting it in the newsletter each week.
 - D. Charter School Conference Francie
Francie updated the GC with the information she gathered at the conference.
- XIV. Items for Next Month's Agenda
- XV. Scheduling Next Meeting **February 11**
- XVI. Executive Session
Roll call vote: John-aye, Jim-aye, Francie-aye, Kim-aye, Peter-aye, Harry-aye. Session ended. Yvonne Allbritton approved as a substitute teacher.
- XVII. Adjourn