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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 2520 Airport Road, Colorado Springs, CO 80910 Tuesday, November 30, 2010 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm

I. Opening Section

A. Call to Order

Board President

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Board President

C. Invocation

Rev. Dir. Loma, Jr.

D. Roll Call:

Present Absent

Willie Breazell Sr.

 X _____

Shirley Brown

 X _____

J. Charles Chisholm

 X _____

Rev. Al Loma Jr.

 X _____

Toby Norton

 X _____

Sam Otero

 X _____

E. Move to approve the agenda as presented/amended

Moved by: Otero Second by: Loma, Jr.

Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero

Nay: none

F. Special Presentations

Mr. Eddie Macklin was introduced. Dir. Otero read Mr. Macklin's cover letter to his resume for familiarization due to the possibility of emails not being read by other directors.

G. President's Report/Comment

President Breazell has been promised a \$100.00 gift certificate for athletic equipment for the school by Danae from the Chapel Hills Walmart. President Breazell, Sr. will draft a letter to DJ Alberts to obtain more class room space at the Adams campus. Along with the agreement, CAO Torrez made a comment to make sure we that we do not lose any grade levels within the proposal. On January 18, 2011, the board would like to host a luncheon and walk through both campuses for about an hour from 11:30 to 12:30 for hi-tech companies in Colorado Springs.

H. Board Member Comments

Director Norton reported the Board is scheduled for a Christmas party in December 9th at 6:00 pm at Guiseppes in the baggage room.

Dir. Loma, Jr. has inquired about the choir but has not received an answer. President Breazell, Sr. gave him the "go ahead" with what he had.

Mr. Eddie Macklin's email address is emacklin@comcast.net.

Dir. Brown showed gift certificates from WARRIOR Relaxation Response Center for ideas for Christmas presents among other like a special bin to put in snacks for the teachers.

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She may take on a family talk group through University of the Rockies to help with some classes for parents. She is proposing having a parent section in the library that centers on health, safety and education. Lisa Villanueva from Parent Challenge has open spots for free computers for families.

Dir. Chisholm reported he had family members visit both campuses and noted the students were well behaved and orderly. Dir. Chisholm is attending the PTO meetings. He commented that there are enthusiastic parents who are frustrated that other parents do not share the same drive. The PTO is interested in fundraising and would like to know if there is anything else they can do.

II. Action Section

A. Move to accept Mr. Eddie L. Macklin as our seventh director for the STAR board.

Moved by: Chisholm Second by: Norton
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none

B. Consent Agenda

1. Board Meeting Minutes 2010-10-26

Moved by: Loma Second by: Norton
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)

C. Accept October Financial Report

Moved by: Loma Second by: Otero
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)

Note: Dir. Chisholm recommends combining both STAR Academy's Treasurer Report and the Financial Report as one motion to be called the Financial report for the following meetings from this date.

D. Move to rescind the motion to purchase a small 12-14 passenger van/bus to be used by STAR Staff, pending additional revenue or suitable donation.

Moved by: Breazell, Sr. Second by: Chisholm
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)

E. Move to authorize the expenditure of sufficient funds, not to exceed \$625.00, for Wal-Mart gift cards for all staff members. The intent is to provide each staff member a \$25.00 gift certificate.

Moved by: Breazell, Sr. Second by: Loma
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)

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F. Move to cancel our December 28, 2010 board meeting unless there is something that comes up that requires us to convene.

Moved by: Norton Second by: Chisholm
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)

III. Information and Reports

A. CAO Report (attached) (30 minutes) Torrez

- 1. Academic achievement indicators (Dashboard)**
- 2. Enrollment by grade and projected space requirements**
- 3. Academic achievement initiatives (efforts to improve)**
- 4. Staffing Levels by gender, education, state certification**

B. Mosaica Report (attached) (30 minutes) Dinnel

- 1. Marketing Support**
- 2. Operations/Technology Support**
- 3. Building**
- 4. Compliance**
- 5. Budget Recommendations**
- 6. Grant Writing Support**

Note: Eric will give a small demonstration on how the student tracking system works at the next board meeting.

C. Board Committee Reports (attached)

- 1. School Accountability Council - Pres. Pamper Stone**
- 2. Parent Teacher Organization**
- 3. Press and Publicity Committee - Dir. Breazell**
- 4. STAR Foundation - Pending**
- 5. Strategic Planning Committee - Chuck Chisholm**

IV. Discussion and Updates

- 1. Meeting with landlord (Mike Craddock)**
- 2. Meeting with D-11 Board President (Tom Strand)**
- 3. Meeting with *The Gazette* Ed reporter (Katrina Iodice)**
- 4. STAR Newsletter distribution and feedback - all**
- 5. Legal fees**
- 6. December Christmas Party - Dir. Norton**

V. Executive Session

Move to enter executive session under state statutes perper C.R.S. 24-6-

Board of Directors: President Willie Breazell, Sr., Vice President Toby Norton, Treasurer Charles J. Chisholm,
Secretary Samuel Otero, Director Shirley Brown, Director Rev. Albert Loma, Jr.
Wayne A. Applewhite, DM, Strategic Education Advisor

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402(4)(f)] to discuss personnel matters.

Moved by: Norton Second by: Otero
Aye: Breazell, Sr., Brown, Chisholm, Loma, Jr., Norton, Otero
Nay: none (Mr. Macklin excused from vote.)
Entered: 8:59 pm Exited: 9:15 pm

Notes: There was a meeting with the supervisors of the CRH to work out the kinks with the cleaning of the facilities by providing a checklist by Wednesday, December 1st with a three week plan for improvement and if no improvement is made, they will be given their 30 day notice.

VI. Closing Section

- A. Future Agenda Items**
- B. Calendar Review and Update**
- C. Adjourned: 9:25 pm**