

FAMU DRS School Board Meeting

Minutes

August 30, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Mr. Terry Watson, Board Chair

Attendance: Mr. Terry Watson, Mr. Tony Manson, Ms. Sandra Moore, Ms. Powell, Dr. Patricia Green-Powell

- I. Welcome and Introductions: Mr. Terry Watson, Board Chair, opened up the meeting stating that board member Michael Wallace will not be present tonight. Board members and invited guest gave brief introductions.
- II. Meeting minutes tabled – quorum not met.
- III. Board Nominees/Nomination process:
 - a. Mr. Watson went over the board nomination process.
 - i. He stated what is in the current by-laws for the process as well as the board procedures. He stated that the by-laws would perhaps need to be revisited. By-laws need to be on DRS website.
 - b. Board meeting are now meeting bi-monthly.
 - i. The third Thursday of each designated month. Mr. Watson stated that his desire is to get the new board appointed as soon as possible and provide board training.
 - c. Suggestion (Dr. Green-Powell)
 - i. Notice the meetings and the agendas to parents
 1. Utilize marquee
 2. Sign, posts, etc.
 - d. Nomination Process:
 - e. Names of the listed nominees will move forward to the Dean of College of Education and the University President. The approval process will then be handled by the president's office.
- IV. DRS Administration Update:
 - a. Dr. Hodge presented the schools proposed budget for the year.
 - i. Enrollment is up by 22 students which will help to increase the budget.
 - ii. The school also receives grant entitlement dollars for specific school related cost (specifically for Title I, IDEA, etc.).
 - b. School Calendar.
 - i. The school calendar was presented.
 - ii. The calendar of events will be presented at a later date.
 - c. FCAT/School Grades:

- i. Have FCAT scores but no school grade until H.S. grades released, usually in Nov-Dec. It is possible that school may receive a D due to the new FCAT scoring.
 - 1. Comment: We need to do more to improve student scores.
 - ii. Class:
 - 1. K-2 = 18
 - 2. 3-7 = 22
 - 3. H.S. = 25
 - 4. Course to start Clinical Ed training by Dr. Serena Roberts
 - d. School Improvement Plan:
 - i. Plan was presented.
 - ii. Faculty met and it was presented to them. Met with SAC committee and it was presented to them. Final piece is to present it to school board and then to the state.
 - e. Uniform Change Update:
 - i. Policy was not changed. Had open conversation with parents about what they would like to see. A survey will go out to parents to see if they actually want the school uniform changed. Survey will go second week of September.
 - f. Facility/Building update:
 - i. Athletic field 4 years in progress. Tennis court almost done, but rain is holding up progress. Estimate will be done in May.
- V. Board Actions:
 - a. PAEC Master-in-Service Plan:
 - i. Board members please look at emailed document quote. (yes/no)
 - b. SGA President – FAMU DRS Joni Lindsey will needed to the Board List.
- VI. Board Member Comments:
 - a. Mr. Watson thanked everyone for coming out and interacting regarding DRS issues and etc.
 - b. We need marketing for FAMU DRS. Mr. Watson asked Dean Patricia Green-Powell to assist by asking the school of Journalism to help.
 - c. Mr. Watson will supply pizza for student/school marketing efforts.
 - d. Mr. Kilpatrick will do follow up for the month.
- VII. Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 p.m.