

FAMU DRS School Board Meeting

Minutes

April 11, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mr. Terry Watson, Board Chair

Attendance: Mr. Terry Watson, Dr. Serena Roberts, Dr. Lavetta Henderson, Dr. Patricia Green-Powell, Dr. Patricia Hodge

Guest: Mr. Emmanuel Uwaibi, Ms. Stephanie McCall-Davis, Ms. Alison Burns-Williams

- I. Welcome and Introductions: Mr. Terry Watson, Board Chair, gave brief introductions. He asked board members to go over the minutes even though they will be ratified at a later date as written. Mr. Uwaibi requested to add others in attendance. Mr. Watson spoke regarding the passing of Dr. Manson and College of Education will have a memorial placed at the College of Education in his name.
- II. Board Nominees/Nomination process:
 - a. Mr. Watson will work with the FAMU President's Office and Dr. Green-Powell to get the process finalized.
 - b. Board needs another meeting for the fiscal year. Please keep in mind of the school activities, etc.
- III. DRS Administration Update
 - a. Dr. Hodge gave the board members an update and presented the District's ELL plan. She will download it and email it out to the board.
 - b. Bully Policy:
 - i. Plan will be evaluated and monitored in a few weeks. Note: All policies should be documented and added as board policy.
 - c. FCAT Preparation:
 - i. DRS is working hard with students for FCAT prep. Middle school: block scheduling to prepare for FCAT. Saturday and afterschool academies – elementary, middle, and high. Afterschool tutorials for science and math. Dr. Davis and Dr. Clark are working with students for science asking for donations for water. Mr. Watson volunteered to bring in water for FCAT. Parent Concern: DRS must work with College of Education and others colleges and the community to increase scores part in science and math.
 - d. Summer School and programs:
 - i. 3rd grade camp-5th grade camp
 - ii. Smart Academy
 - iii. Gear Up
 - iv. NSTI

- v. CESTA
 - vi. Summer to PUSH to College (Math and Science)
 - e. Budget Update
 - i. Dr. Hodge went over each school budget
 - f. Request
 - i. Information put on-line. Mr. Uwaibi and financial audit of 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 including process
 - g. Title Report
 - i. Report was provided for the school board to review as an update.
- IV. Board Member Comments:
 - a. Henderson collaboration effort went well for the meet and greet
 - b. Roberts said nomination process covered on agenda
 - c. Dr. Powell went to capitol for meeting, FAMU budget was restored.
 - d. Mr. Watson want best for school regardless of challenges.
- V. Public Comments:
 - a. Uwaibi said that research activities should be discussed at board meeting
- VI. Agenda Item:
 - a. DRS should be a teacher training center with College of Education, a part of STEM.
 - b. McCall-Davis states school progress is about accountability
 - c. Burns Williams agrees with Mr. Uwaibi regarding DRS used as a research school. Need evaluation tool for administration.
 - d. School need more resources, sex ed, school psychologist, etc.
 - e. Need new student handbook, a part with graduation protocol i.e. student ranking
- VII. Meeting Adjourned.