



MESA VALLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

MVCS Board of Directors

Monday, January 23, 2023

Regular Meeting

5:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Baker at 5:39 PM

Board Members Present: Kalista Wickham, Carolyn Lenderman, Dan Baker, Nathan Brantley, and Martha Brabaek

Administration/Staff Present: Director Laurajean Downs, Assistant Director Kami Costello, Business Manager Julie Hoge

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as presented.

“Moved by Nathan Brantley, supported by Kalista Wickham, that the agenda be approve as presented”.

COMMUNICATIONS:

No comments were given.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT ACTION ITEMS:

The following Consent Action Items were approved as recommended:

Minutes – the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 28, 2022, and the Special Meeting on January 10, 2023 were approved as presented.

Financials – the November 2022 and December 2022 financial statements were approved as presented.

“Moved by Carolyn Lenderman, supported by Martha Brabaek, that the consent items be approved as presented”.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kalista Wickham, Dan Baker, Carolyn Lenderman, Nathan Brantley, Martha Brabaek

Nays: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT/RECOMMENDATION:

Director Laurajean Downs gave a brief report regarding the onsite construction in process that has been funded using Esser III funds. FCI construction anticipates completing the majority of the project by mid-February. HVAC units will not be available until May or June.

Current pre-enrollment figures for the 2023-2024 school year based on parent response were presented. The board and administration discussed the possible scenarios with different enrollment numbers. MVCS is in process of some light marketing to encourage additional enrollment. Staffing and facility challenges were also reviewed, as well as student support services. The Synergy platform will be used next year for attendance and scheduling.

On Wednesday, January 25, district administration will be touring MVCS prior to the capacity interview in the evening in regard to the school's new charter. There will be two community meetings held after the capacity interview for the public to ask questions or comment. On February 7, the district will present the rubric to MVCS with the scores given after the interview. On February 21, the final vote will be taken.

An explanation of Explore time was presented, which includes all students in grades K-5. Explore time is a 6 week program that allows students to participate in a physical education activity or science/stem activity. 90% of MVEP students are participating in the program and it is going exceptionally well. Students who attend the enrichment program on Friday are required to attend and students who attend on Monday/Wednesday have the option to attend.

FACILITY & FINANCE:

Business Manager, Julie Hoge, presented the following items:

A copy of the 990 tax return was given to the board and reviewed.

"Moved by Kalista Wickham, and supported by Nathan Brantley that the 990 tax return be approved as presented."

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kalista Wickham, Dan Baker, Carolyn Lenderman, Nathan Brantley, Martha Brabaek

Nays: None

The possibility of using an online version of quickbooks was discussed and further research will be conducted to see if this is a feasible option beginning in the 2023-2024 school year.

POLICY & PROCEDURE:

Assistant Director Kami Costello presented the following policies:

BDG 100.3 (Overview, Revenue, Expenses and Cash & Assets) was brought to the board for a 2nd reading.

“Moved by Carolyn Lenderman, supported by Martha Brabaek that BDG 150.1 and be approved as presented.”

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Martha Brabaek, Carolyn Lenderman, Nathan Brantley, Kalista Wickham, Dan Baker

Nays: None

STU 100.5 (Enrollment Eligibility and Enrollment & Onboarding Procedure) was brought to the board for a 2nd reading. The board made suggestions for changes and it was decided that the policy will be brought forward at the next meeting for an additional reading before approval.

OTHER MATTERS:

Future Meetings – Due to the Colorado League of Charter Schools Conference, the next regular board meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, February 23, 2023. The board will be advised should there be a need for a special meeting prior to the next scheduled meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

“Moved by Carolyn Lenderman, supported by Martha Brabaek that the meeting be adjourned at 8:08 PM.”