

DuBois Integrity Academy

Governance Board Meeting

Monday, September 18, 2017

6479 Church Street

Riverdale, Georgia 30274

Multi-purpose Room

6:30pm

MINUTES

- ✚ Roll Call (Col. Morris, Mr. Merritt, Mr. Culver and Mrs. Lewis)
- ✚ Meeting Called To Order 6:34
- ✚ Approval of Agenda Motioned by Mr. Culver, 2nd by Mrs. Lewis. (Carried unanimously)
- ✚ Approval of Previous Minutes Motioned by Mr. Culver, 2nd by Mr. Merritt. (Carried unanimously)
- ✚ Financial Report
 1. YTD Reports We transitioned from previous company which controlled items for payroll (such as TRS, benefits, Aflac). The Auditor suggested we not have a company monitor that information. We are now in control of these items through the new company.

There are changes to the budget which we need to monitor due to curriculum, QBE, and various aspects.

We are challenged to decrease are spending in various areas such as utilities, substitutes and other cost saving measures.
 2. Audit Update The board discussed the audit process.

There were no findings, we have a Clean Audit. Review of the financial implications will be conducted by the audit committee.
- ✚ Executive Director/Principal Report
 1. "First Six Weeks" School Opening Report Dr. Payne introduced Mr. Jackson, Social Services Liaison/Truancy Officer who discussed his role in decreasing absences and tardies.
 2. MAP testing was completed last week
RIT groups will start on Thursday to impact student achievement.
 3. 2016/2017 Academic Achievement District Comparison The Gap Achievement Comparison was shared with the Board. Dr. Worrell gave an overall summary of our growth, achievement and gap closure.
 4. Comprehensive Strategic Plan Discussions Dr. Mack explained how teachers will use their Map Data. The Academic Coaches are doing Data Digs with teachers so they know where their students are and can determine what to use to move them.

Question (Col. Morris): The students that were 3rd graders last year will you be able to use their scores? Answer: We do have their data; however the standards they are tested on this year is different. We can use it as an indicator. Question (Mr. Merritt)

The students that were Proficient, do you expect them to remain Proficient? Answer : It is our goal that they grow; however the curriculum and standards are different.

The ZanerBlosem Curriculum we expect to help because students have to write and justify their answers.

Questions (Mr. Merritt): How are we getting parents on board? Answer: Map Results are being sent home, parents are requesting and being offered conferences to discuss where their scholars stand based on RIT scores. We have had a Playlist Night and have a Curriculum Night coming up. Mr. Jackson will be doing parent workshops. We also have a Parent Resource center.

Question (Mr. Merritt): How can we make sure that we are reaching all parents and keeping them engaged. Answer: We have teachers complete communication logs. SCSC Website Monitoring we received an email stating it meets the requirements.

4. New Board Member Recommendation Mr. Cason discussed our new Board Member recommendation

5. Special Education Policy Handbook Amendment/Compliance Mr. Walker discussed the compliance of the handbook and that student discipline was going well.

PTO Report PTO fundraiser extended until Friday

Old Business

New Business

🚧 Public Comments (3 minutes)

🚧 Executive Session (if needed) N/A

🚧 Board Questions & Comments N/A

Motion to Adjourn Motioned by Mrs. Lewis, 2nd by Mr. Culver. (Carried unanimously)

🚧 Meeting Adjourned Meeting adjourned at 8:14