DuBois Integrity Academy

Governance Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 6479 Church Street Riverdale, Georgia 30274 Multi-purpose Room 6:30 pm

MINUTES

- Roll Call (Col. Morris, Dr. Chapman, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Merritt, Attorney Mack, Ms. Lewis)
- Meeting Called To Order 6:34
- Approval of Agenda Motioned by Attorney Mack, 2nd by Dr. Chapman. (Carried unanimously)
- Approval of Previous Minutes Motioned by Attorney Mack, 2nd by Mr. Merritt. (Carried unanimously)
- Financial Report
 - YTD Reports DIA met requirements for a single audit of the CSP Grant. There were no findings or questionable cost determined. This was the first of this type of audit. We have received a \$100,000 facilities grant. Col. Morris asked if we would need to spend the funds upfront. This is a reimbursable grant. The accounting firm reported that DIA was over budget in the month of September based on the original budget that was submitted; however, it does not reflect the budget ammendment which will be voted on during this meeting. The cash on hand is improving. Year-to-Date versus Actual was discussed. Current and fixed assets were discussed along with accounts payable. Maintenance and Operations was above 15% last month which drew questions from Board Members; this month it is 14%. DIA projected 760 students and will sign off on 766 students. This information with other data should put DIA in the exceed category in financials for the CPF. Dr. Chapman asked how the cost of items and their different components were categorized. The answer given was; a laptop that would cost \$100 and all that it needs for that laptop to function as necessary would be the cost of the fixed asset. There is one payment for CAM left to pay in November.
- ♣ Open Hearing-Budget Amendment (2 of 2) Meeting Opened 6:58
 The Board reviewed the budget. The Board asked questions about personnel expenses.
 The original H-Vac company did faulty work and we may have to sue them to recoup the expense we have incurred to fix the problem.
 Meeting Closed 7:13
- Amend Agenda to Vote on Budget Motioned by Attorney Mack, 2nd by Mr. Merritt. (Carried unanimously)
- Adopt FY19 Budget Amendment Motioned by Attorney Mack, 2nd by Ms. Lewis. (Carried unanimously)

♣ Executive Director/Principal Report

- 1. 2017 CCRPI DATA Dr. Payne discussed the CCRPI results that are beginning to be released. In the Closing Gaps category the school scored 100+ which is the highest possible score, on Content Mastery the school scored 48 points, and on Readiness 42.2 points. At this time there are still two score outstanding in order for the final score to be calculated. We are growing. Dr. Dixon, the State of Georgia Special Education Director, sent a letter stating that DIA met in the area of compliance in Special Education. Dr. Payne explained the letter and the process DIA has gone through having approximately 15 special education students in year 1 and approximately 90 special education students currently. Ms. Lewis expressed the importance in the 95% rating and what it means for students.
- 2. MAP Dr. Mack discussed MAP Data. The fall MAP was the first MAP test students took on the Chromebooks. MAP data is used to form RIT groups. Dr. Mack discussed the test at each grade level and how many students were in each level. Dr. Mack stated that we know how many students are in each level. Ms. Lewis asked how many students are in the SST process. The answer was about 20 across grade levels at this time. Dr. Mack explained the Multi-Tier process to the Board, and explained the SST process. Dr. Mack reviewed RIT. Attorney Mack asked what is done for 5th grades who may be reading on an 8th grade level. The answer was Mrs. Kennedy is a former Middle School teacher and challenges the students, they are reading novels. Mrs. Jamison is also a former Middle school teacher and also a gifted teacher who works with them as well.
- School Operation Updates Mr. Cason discussed operations and mentioned many positions funded by the Consortium which are rolls administration does not have to fill that support the school. The following were mentioned: A. Almond, F. Thomas, C. Ware, S. Puryear, Avalon Accounting and our consultant who comes once a month Dr. Liddell. Dr. Mack sent out applications for Girls who Code. Fundraising was discussed. DIA would like to hold a Black Tie event in the Multi-Purpose Room. The goal is to raise \$200,000. Ms. Lewis asked where would the funds that would be raised be applied. Mr. Cason stated that the funds would be placed in the general operation funds to be used for school needs. Mr. Cason will be sending out the registration for the Annual Governance Board Training, the locations are in Athens and Lake Lanier.
- ♣ Old Business Attorney Mack asked where we stand with truancy. The follow answer was given: Mr. Jackson has been getting out letters and speaking with parents. We have not had to move forward to court action.
- New Business
 - 1. Adopt FY19 Budget Amendment Moved up the agenda
- Public Comments (3 minutes) Col. Morris welcomed the Commission to our meeting for the second month.
- ♣ Executive Session (if needed) N/A
- Board Questions & Comments Motion to Adjourn
- ♣ Meeting Adjourned 8:18PM