

**Public Meeting of La Tierra Community School
Governing Board - Meeting Minutes
Friday, February 6th, 2015 - 2:00pm**

Present: Brian McVickers, Claire Louge, Russell Erickson
Faculty: Jennifer Roderick, Director

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order - Brian McVickers called the meeting to order at 2:27pm
- II. Russell Erickson made a motion to approve the consent agenda and the **December 18th, 2014 and January 15, 2015** Governing Board meeting minutes. Seconded, Brian McVickers. Approved 3-0-0.
- III. Action Items - None
- IV. Community Forum/Participation - None
- V. Director's Report presented by Jennifer Roderick
 1. Student Count update: Total 112 Students/FTE 101.5
 - Kindergarten: 21, First Grade: 19, Second Grade: 20, Third Grade: 16, Fourth Grade: 13, Fifth Grade: 7, Sixth Grade: 6, Seventh Grade: 8, Eighth Grade: 4
 2. Tax Credit Donation Totals - \$8,800.00
 3. 2015-2016 Enrollment Dates:
 - Re-Enrollment Grades 1-8: 2/23/2015-3/06/2015
 - Kindergarten Enrollment: 2/25/2015-3/20/2015
 - Kindergarten Orientation Evenings are from 5:00pm-6:00pm on 2/25, 3/4, and 3/18
 - Open Enrollment Grades 1-8: 3/23/2015-4/17/2015
 4. Benchmark Assessment window is February 2nd through the 13th. Once the benchmarks are complete, data will be aggregated and faculty will meet to review and discuss trends in data and learning achievements and gaps. The faculty data meeting will be used to inform instruction and to develop purposeful differentiation groups.
 5. AZMerit - New State Standardized Test is based on the Common Core Academic Standards. It should be a baseline year for all schools in the state. Although the test is computer based there is a paper based option. La Tierra students will be taking the paper based assessment. Practice tests will be released in the next couple of weeks to help teacher prepare for the new style of test and format.
 6. Measles Protocol
 - Reviewed Health Advisory from Yavapai County Health Department - Measles cases have been confirmed in Yavapai county. La Tierra has an approximate 65% unvaccinated population.
 7. Faculty/Administration Leadership Team - we would like to schedule a future meeting with the governing board to brainstorm moving forward.
- VI. Old Business
 1. Presentation of Revised Community Handbook and Family Student Success Guide. Jennifer presented the revised Community Handbook at last month's governing board meeting. Brian made a motion to approve the revised Community Handbook and Family Success Guide. Russell Erickson seconded. Approved 3-0-0.
- VII. Financial Report presented by Russell Erickson and Jennifer Roderick
 1. We received the Line of Credit/Loan from Country Bank in the amount of \$15,000.00. We will need to repay the loan after our April disbursement from the state on or before April 24th. There are no glaring discrepancies in the budget.
- VIII. New Business
 1. Renewal of Lease at Current Site for 2015-2016 School Year and/or other options for school's physical location - Jennifer recommends renewing the lease for another year. The board agrees that we should

renew the lease and that we should discover the exact terminology of the adjusted terms. For example, incurring an increase in rent relative to a percentage of budget increase to the school from the state.

2. Strategic Planning Dates for 2015 winter and spring meeting times. The board agreed that we should try to meet in the spring and that we are otherwise on track with the strategic plan. We need to consider other actions like leadership team meetings and new board memberships prior to setting our spring date.
3. Resignation of Kari Hull from the LTCS Governing Board - Brian McVickers made a motion to approve the resignation of Kari Hull from the LTCS Governing Board. Seconded, Claire Louge. Approved, 3-0-0.
4. LTCS governing board vacancies and processes for board membership discussion. We have some interested candidates that we have received information for. We need to strongly consider looking at the board as is, identify strengths and weaknesses and bring in new people who can strengthen the weaknesses. The board will begin an electronic discussion with thoughts for candidates we are looking.

IX. General Announcements - None

X. Brian McVickers made a motion to adjourn. Seconded - Russell. Approved 3-0-0.

Meeting Adjourned - 3:17pm