

Kids Unlimited Academy, A Public Charter School

Board Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2015

12pm – 1pm

Board Members Present: Pedro Cabrera, Tom Cole, Linda Evans, Carol Fischer, Carolyn Hayes, Martha Ibarra, Sister Mary Pat Naumes, Frank Phillips, & Jeri Olson

Board Members Absent: Emilie Wylde

Staff Present: Lynn Eccleston, Jared Ware

Community Members Present: None

Next meeting: October 21, 2015

I. Review and Acceptance of the Minutes

Pedro Cabrera called the meeting to order and asked the board to review the minutes. Carol Fischer moved to approve the minutes and Linda Evans seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Pedro introduced Martha Ibarra to the Kids Unlimited Academy board.

II. Business & Finance Update

Jared noted that the audit was progressing and should be completed prior to the next board meeting. Jared noted that operational separation between the two entities was an area that the auditors were currently examining.

Jared noted that he was working with the legal counsel of Kings Valley Charter School to review Kids Unlimited Academy's current contracts with Kids Unlimited.

Jared reviewed with the board his discussion with the auditors around this topic as well as his discussion to date with leadership at Kings Valley and their attorney.

Pedro Cabrera asked the board if they had reviewed the Fiscal Policies & Procedures (FPP) manual and if there was a motion to approve the document. Carol Fischer moved that we accept the FPP, Linda Evans seconded the motion and it was unanimously adopted.

Jared reviewed the committee descriptions for the proposed Executive Committee for KUA and the Development Committee that would, like the existing Finance Committee, have representation from both KU's board and KUA's board.

Carol Fischer moved that KUA adopt the charters for the Development Committee, and the Executive Committee. Frank Phillips seconded that motion and it passed unanimously.

III. Principal's Report

Lynn talked about the start of the school. She noted that beyond the traditional academic pieces that the school was now implementing reading and math intervention classes in the afternoon to support student growth. Lynn added that the most time consuming element of the school is working to support the emotional needs of students and what they bring to school every day on an emotional and psychological level.

Lynn noted that the school now has a Full-Time Mental Health therapist from Jackson County Mental Health, but added the school could use more supports in that area. She also added that one Skills Trainer from Family Solutions had started, and that another would be starting soon.

Lynn added that the school had also received a PE grant and would be hiring an additional PE Teacher for the school.

IV. Guest Discussion – Chuck Martinez KU Capital Campaign

Chuck Martinez gave the KUA board an update on the capital project, showing the land acquired and the proposed new facilities, including the new field, the Middle School classroom building, and expanded kitchen facilities.