

T.R. Paul Academy of Arts and Knowledge
aka Northern Colorado Academy of Arts and Knowledge

September 9, 2009 4:00pm
Board Room, 4512 McMurry, Fort Collins, CO 80525

Board Meeting Agenda

OPENING SECTION (20 minutes)

1. Call to Order Board President
Time Started: 4:01

2. Roll Call Board President
Board Members present in attendance:
(X) Bauer (X) Bennett (X) Eastman () Gallup () Hughes (X) Kelleher

3. Pledge of Allegiance Board President

4. Approval of Agenda
Recommended Motion: Move to adopt agenda as presented (or amended)
Motion made by: Bauer Seconded: Bennett
Roll Call: unanimous approval

5. Audience Comments Board President
At this time the Board listens to the public's comments. In order to address the Board you must sign in prior to the start of the meeting.

Please note that due to confidentiality and privacy laws, Board members cannot discuss, or allow to be presented in a public meeting, any issue regarding a specific staff member or student. Personnel and specific student issues must be discussed with the CAO of TPAK prior to Board involvement.

The Board president has a responsibility to maintain an orderly meeting and will call for an end to any presentation that may be deemed as slanderous or libelous and speakers are required to avoid comments that may fall into these categories.

There is a time limit of 3 minutes per person. If there are a number of speakers commenting on the same topic, we ask that remarks be consolidated and new thoughts or concepts shared. Please do not repeat the same message of an earlier speaker.

Board members or administration may respond during this meeting or at a later time. We listen with respect and ask those who address the Board to do the same. In order to respect all persons addressing the Board, we require that the audience not applaud individual speakers. This is a Board meeting and not a public forum.

Thank you for taking the time to share with us.

Audience who spoke:
Jason Schnoll
Daniel Scully

SCHOOL OVERSIGHT (60 minutes)

1. Board Discussion

- a) Discussion of dress code language in Handbook
 - a. Need specifics, idea of business world acceptability
- b) Discussion of Pledge of Allegiance in classroom
 - a. Stand but opt out of saying?
- c) Friendly amendment: Opt in, opt out procedure
 - a. CAO will make the decision and inform the parents

2. Mosaica Report

- a) Discuss Szech and Gogerty Mosaica reports
- b) Discuss status of how 4Rs is being implemented with more staff support now
- c) Recruiting and Fundraising discussion

3. Consent Agenda

The Board will act upon all items as a package unless a member wishes to remove and separately act upon an individual item.

- a. Approval of minutes for July 8, August 12, and August 20, 2009
 - a. Closing section of Special Board Meeting Agenda: next meeting was not September 7th
- b. ~~Acceptance of August Financial Reports~~ – not available until October

Recommended Motion: Move to approve the consent agenda as presented

Motion made by: Bennett

Seconded: Kelleher

Roll Call:

Approve: Bennett, Kelleher, Eastman

Abstain: Bauer

4. Board Action

Recommended Motion: Move to accept new Officers effective October 1, 2009.

President - Merinda Bennett

Vice President – Lara Kelleher

Secretary – Julia Bauer

Treasurer – Barry Eastman

Finance Committee – Barry Eastman and Donna Gallup

Motion made by: Kelleher

Seconded: Bauer

Roll Call: unanimous approval

STRATEGIC DIRECTION (30 minutes)

1. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- a) Student Achievement Goals (Bauer)
 - a. Discussion of 1st and 2nd grade dibels scores

2. SCHOOL EXCELLENCE

- a) School Excellence Goals

CLOSING SECTION (10 minutes)

1. Executive Session (if needed)

An executive session is requested to address personnel and negotiation items per C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (e) and (f).

Motion made by:

Seconded:

Time:

Roll Call:

Completed Executive Session (time):

2. Future Business

- a) Next Board meeting in October

3. Adjournment

Adjournment motion made by: Bennett Seconded by: Bauer

Roll Call: unanimous approval

5:50 pm

-----REFERENCES-----

Vision/Mission/Slogan (from October 2008 Planning Meeting)

Vision

To create a regional school where high academic expectations coupled with an emphasis on the arts provides a well-rounded education that fosters respect for self and others while enhancing each individual's contribution to society.

Mission

The mission of the Northern Colorado Academy of Arts and Knowledge (NCAAK) is to craft and implement an imaginative and rigorous learning environment for teaching and learning. This program will link academics to the arts and link an arts education to community cultural resources. Ultimately, our goal is to teach students the joy of learning and the importance of expressing individual talent artistically and academically.

Slogan

Pride through Performance

GOALS

Student Achievement

- 90% test scores (quantitative)
- Participation levels (qualitative)
 - o Parent volunteer hours
 - o Students in Brain and Brawn each year

School Excellence

- Full school (475 students) w/ waiting list (25%)
- No debt by EOSY 2013
- Community Outreach – 4 events in 2008 to 2009
- 90%
 - o Student Retention
 - o Parent Satisfaction
 - o Teacher (Staff) Retention