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CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Directors Meeting
May 28, 2024
Approved Minutes

Present: Larry Cafero, Amanda Gormley, Matt Nittoly, Deb Whalen, Adam Norris, Nell Conroy, Sally Davids, Todd Parkin, Stephanie Cecio, Kim Grimm, Britnee Henderson

Absent: Chiara Askew-Oliver

Meeting called to order at 5:16 PM.

April minutes approved by Sally and Deb.

Public Session

No members of the public were in attendance at this meeting.

Director Update:

I. IMPORTANT DATES:

a. Last Day of class: Monday, June 17
b. 8th grade Commencement: Wednesday, June 12 at 6pm

II. Teaching/Learning Update:

In May, students were busy taking the Smarter Balanced assessments in Math, and the Next Generation Science assessment. These assessment results will be used in part to determine our school and district performance index next fall. They will also provide valuable information for teachers to plan for fall learning. Classes demonstrating the most growth will earn a class- specific celebration.

Aside from testing season, our eighth graders had an amazing experience at the annual Washington D.C. trip the week of 5/20.

Additionally, all middle-schoolers are looking forward to a fun break before the end of the school year at Holiday Hill.

Finance Committee:

The board reviewed the committee's financial report.

Fundraising:

- The 1420 Distillery fundraiser was a success and we would consider doing another fundraiser in this location for the future. Turnout was low but the emergency rescheduling could not have been anticipated.
- The BoosterTHON fun run was also a success and total profit is estimated at $8,000. Despite a water main emergency that required an emergency school closure we were able to complete the event for all lower school students. The upper school trivia contest can be rescheduled at another time because it could not be completed that day.

Action Items:

- Next board meeting will be virtual at 4:45 on Wednesday, June 12th, 2024
- Board member attendance has become a concern for some members. This impedes the board's ability to complete its business and will be discussed at a subsequent meeting. We encourage all board members to attend announced meetings and provide notice of any absence well in advance.
- The FY 2024-2025 budget should be finished by next week and distributed in time for the board review in June.
- All major staffing vacancies have been filled except for the middle school science position, for which interviews are ongoing.

Meeting adjourned: motion to adjourn at 5:42 PM. Todd and Nell seconded.