

Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 11, 2010

Members Present: Keri Urquhart, Dr. Anderson, Val Yagos, Kevin McCleary, Mike Ronan and Angie Curran.

There were members of the community present for the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 by Keri Urquhart.

A motion was made by Angie Curran and seconded by Mike Ronan to approve Board minutes from March 13, 2010 with a minor correction to Julie Sawyer's name.

**President Keri Urquhart presented Open Question period:**

There was a question from the community members present about assessment scores. We should have assessment scores by June 15. Public scores publish collectively. Benchmark scores for each class and individual scores will come later by the end of June. Dr. Anderson will distribute scores to parents by mail if school is already out for summer. It was asked why students are using calculators. There have been class sets ordered for upper academy. Benchmark allows the use of calculators in certain sections. It is the process that is important.

Playground equipment should be installed on May 24<sup>th</sup>. No rails yet on the bridge. Walkway needs to be cleaned ASAP. Safety concerns were raised about children being corralled when playing outside.

An audience member asked about inspections on the school cleaning. How often inspected? How often bathrooms cleaned? Concern was raised about trashing the building. Has Jim Green been called on the screw and nail pops? We need to keep the building a top notch facility. What is a warranty issue and what is building management? How often is floor waxed? Kelly is working on grout cleaning issues since it is gross. Mr. Burl checks on a daily basis and making changes. He is implementing a paper trail.

**Operations Report:**

Ms Turro presented the Principal's Report. JLCS has 407 on wait lists

JLCS was represented at the Arkansas Public Charter School Conference May 6.

NWEA assessments begin May 17.

Cambridge Evaluators focused on three areas of growth for the school which were to improve the quality of instruction by further differentiating to meet the needs of students,

continuing to build the capacity of the teachers by individualizing professional development and thoroughly analyzing student achievement data and trends.

70 Scholars under the direction of Ms. Miller will have a special art showcase and musical performance led by Mrs. Head on May 25.

Next year's calendar was discussed and mentioned that the school year will begin later for students due to development dates on the front of the year.

Meals were explored next. Mike presented some figures for cost of meals considering cost of labor. Preferred Meals is still the better cost solution. They have more consistency. Make sure not all hot dogs and pizza. They will need to be worked with. It is a hot lunch and breakfast. The meals are pre-plated and frozen. Lighthouse uses them in other sites. Controlling inventory is very important. We need a contract with Preferred. McCleary move to approve moving forward with Preferred and Yagos seconded. Motion passed unanimously pending approval from the powers that be.

#### **Facility Reports: Presented by Joel Scharfer.**

Mike Ronan reported that filter changes are tracked and reminders are given for reports due as well. We will seek approval from the State Board for second site under our cap of 650 students. If we need approval for that number then we will request it then. Law does not cap by grade levels.

For the second site, Turro added that adding staffing specialist will continue to provide curriculum for specials. We will need one added receptionist. Do the numbers work? Have CFM get ready now due to time constraints.

Attachment 5: We need to settle on a price. We are fine with number one, fine with number two; \$15,000 needs to be refundable on number three. Mike made a motion for a counter offer that was seconded by Dr. Anderson. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike made a motion to continue to pursue the second site and Kevin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

JLCS Stabilization Funds Plan was presented by Dr. Anderson. Grants will be audited by CFM. Yagos moved to approve the plan and Curran seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **Finance Reports:**

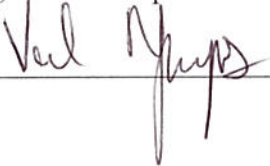
Attachment 7 was presented. The report showed no money lost. Mike asked how we are doing with food service. Kelly reported being down about \$400 for April. It fluctuates but getting closer to balancing. We need a report for fiscal year to date, broken down by month. Dr. Anderson reports sign is coming. We want the Landscaper to clean the tire marks off the sidewalks and maybe withhold some of their money until it is done.

Playground equipment not on AP. Playground is within \$200 of budget. Bridge had to be wider. Mike moved to pay landscapers \$23,900 withholding \$2000.00 until sidewalks are cleaned of tire marks. Kevin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned: May11, 2010.

Next Meeting: June 8, 2010 6:00 pm.

Val Yagos, Secretary  \_\_\_\_\_