

## SOAR Charter School Board Meeting

Date, Time and Place: May 11, 2018, 4800 Telluride St. BLDG 4 Denver, CO 80249

### Attendance of Board Members:

Present: Sue Save, Tiffani Lennon, Claudia, William Weintraub

Present by Phone: Brad Fischer, Carolyn McCormick

Recused: n/a

Absent: n/a

Staff Absent: Sarah Glover, Rona Wilensky, Liane Morrison

Quorum? Yes

Also in attendance: Sonia Sisneros, Brad Fischer, Kelly Moulton, Christi Goetz

Members of public in attendance: Janet Damon – SOAR parent/prospective Board member, Ashley Clark, PEBC/prospective Board member

Meeting brought to order – Bill moved, Tiffani seconded 8:47

8:45 Public Comment

8:49 Meeting brought order, motion Bill first, Tiffany second – all in favor.

- Board Vote: Janet Damon, Bill firsts, and Tiffani seconds. Janet is an approved Board member.
- Board Vote: Ashley Clark, motion moved forward for Board membership by Tiffani, Sue seconds the vote no opposition. Ashley is approved;

8:50 Consent Agenda

- Minutes
  - Motion for April minutes approved: Bill moved that minutes are approved. Tiffani seconded. Minutes are accepted. No opposition.
- Monthly dashboards
- Monthly financials

8:55 Financial Performance Framework Follow-up

- Brad reports that the FPF score does not affect the SPF score. SOAR is healthy from financial standpoint. DPS wants a positive trend with unreserved fund balance and wants to see 1.5 months of unrestricted funds. SOAR will have 2 months of unrestricted funds.
- There's still room to add to unrestricted funds. Three months of unrestricted funds is when consideration should be made to move the funds.
- New PPR is \$8300 next year.

- Motion to approve the dashboard: Bill moved. Tiffani seconded. No opposition.

9:00 Carolyn McCormick Presentation

- Carolyn was screened to consult internal and external search for Head of School.
- The Board can begin receiving data from Carolyn in August.
- In June, Board should decide whether or not to have a concurrent internal and external Head of School search in August.
- **ADD Questions Sue gave to Carolyn**

Sue motions for a Adjournment. Bill moves and Tiffani seconds.

9:45 Executive Session: Personnel

- Motion to reconvene Business Meeting: Bill moved, Tiffani seconded 10:15. No opposition.

10:40 Updated Literacy Data Presentation

- Christi Goetz has been overseeing READ for 4 years.
- IStation is used to test students on language, fluency, composition etc. It's SOARS second year using IStation.
- Students have not been coached on how to use computers up until the middle of the school year. Next year, the hope is that students are familiarized with computers earlier on, as well as, with vocabulary. Students need to be technologically literate. Sonia shares SOAR is considering this in technology purchases.
- DPS ELA platform is moving to an online platform next year.
- Tier 1 increased and Tier 2 students decreased, partially because students were moved from Tier 2 to Tier 1.
- 17 students are deemed significantly below grade level.
- Christi is planning to work with Lori to create more heterogeneous classes with varied literacy levels next fall.
- Sue suggests the Board consider a plan to develop a kindergarten pipeline. Examples: Open House for pre-school parents.
- 21 out of 52 students made movement in literacy level.
- How do we support teachers with familiarity of the assessment?
- CDE may pull ELA students out for SPF.
- Teachers will be eligible to attend DPS IStation training next year.
- DPS will extend DPS Academy to charter schools next year for summer literacy support.
- Janet proposes students participate in library summer reading programs and are offered an incentive for parents enrolling students.

11:00 Adjourn Board Meeting

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Motion to adjourn: Bill moved, Tiffani seconded 10:43 AM. No opposition.