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Forest Ranch Charter School – Board of Directors
Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 6PM
15815 Cedar Creek Road, Forest Ranch, CA 95942
Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Open Session – Call to Order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Roll Call
   a. Christia Marasco – Director
   b. Dave Foreman – Community Representative and Board Chair
   c. Kiersten Morgan – Parent Representative and Board Vice Chair
   d. Lisa Speegle – Parent Representative and Board CFO
   e. John Rowden – Educational Representative
   f. Lynn Wright – Community Representative - absent
   g. Robin Cook – Parent Representative
   h. Katrina Stearns – Teacher Representative
   i. Maureen Blawat – Community Representative
   j. LaDawn Hall – Parent Representative

3. Celebrations / Recognitions
   a. The Forest Ranch Women’s Club earned $500 at their recent bake sale. A portion of these proceeds will be donated to the school.

4. Public Comments on Items NOT on the Current Meeting Agenda - none

5. Changes / Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda
   a. Item 7g- tabled until next meeting

6. Consent Calendar - Maureen Blawat moved, Robin Cook seconded that the consent calendar be approved, motion passed unanimously
   a. Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 18, 2012
   b. Consider Approval of CFO Report and Financials from December
   c. Consider Approval of February and March field trips

7. Discussion/Action Calendar
   a. Report on Governor’s January Budget revision and effects on school budget - Lisa Speegle presented the information sent to the board regarding the Governor’s proposed 2013-14 budget. Increases in per pupil spending, changes to the funding formula, reports regarding student achievement, funding changes in special education and online education were discussed. Information only – no action taken.
   b. Approval of P-1 attendance report and effects on school budget – Lisa Speegle presented the P-1 attendance report and informed the board that the reported attendance matches our current budget
projections. Kiersten Morgan moved, Maureen Blawat seconded that the P-1 Attendance Report be accepted by the Board, motion passed unanimously.

c. Approval of School Accountability Report and Facilities Inspection – Christia Marasco and Lisa Speegle presented the SARC report to the board for approval. Discussion regarding how the percent of budget for administration was reported led to a suggested change in that reporting. Kiersten Morgan moved, LaDawn Hall seconded that the SARC report be accepted with the suggested changes included. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Approval of March Board Meeting date – Robin Cook moved, Lisa Speegle seconded that due to Spring Break conflicting with our regular board meeting schedule, the March meeting be held on March 26th at 6PM. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Review Administration Contracts and Compensation – an information only discussion was held regarding the additional administrative time needed for 7th and 8th grade start up work. No action taken.

f. Approval of Budget and Venue for Celebration Dinner Scheduled for February 8 – the annual celebration dinner for FRCS will be rescheduled for February 22, 2013. Various venues were discussed by the board for this event. Maureen Blawat moved, Lisa Speegle seconded that a budget of $20 per plate for up to an estimated 50 guests as proposed by Shelley’s Creative Catering. Motion passed unanimously.

g. Approval of Budget and Dates in April for Strategic Planning Retreat – tabled until March

h. Report on Transportation Provider Complaint Resolution – Christia Marasco presented information regarding a parent complaint received about discipline on the bus. Christia explained that she is working closely with Cabs for Kids to improve consistency of discipline and that they are implementing a system whereby most discipline issues will be handled by the school instead of Cabs for Kids. Information only – no action taken.

8. Reports and Presentations

a. Director Report - Christia Marasco reported on enrollment for 2013/14, student and family surveys, and upcoming teacher evaluation processes.

b. Teacher Report - Katrina Stearns shared that the kindergarten is starting a unit on the north and south poles, the 1st/2nd are working on weather, time and multiplication, the 3rd/4th is starting habitats and Native Americans, the 5th/6th is on the elements and the Periodic Table. Teachers have been attending a year-long HET Saturday school training. As various teachers attend these conferences they have been sharing ideas with the rest of the staff. Some things shared have been very exciting. Additionally, an integrating art in the classroom conference was attended by some of the faculty. This event also brought back several wonderful ideas.

c. Safety Report - Christia Marasco reported that the Safety Committee meeting was informative and timely. Campus safety plans in light of the recent increase in school shootings was a topic. Further staff training on Code Reds is scheduled for early February.

d. Facilities Report - Lisa Speegle reported that the repairs to the roofs of the new portables are now complete. We are now working on getting quotes to repair the floor damage from the leakage. Mobile Modular has indicated that they will pay for these repairs. Also working on getting pricing for window treatments for the new portables.

e. Technology Report - none
f. Human Resources Report – none

9. Announcement of Items to be Discussed in Closed Session
   a. None

10. Future Agenda Items
    a. Retreat
    c. Employee Evaluations

11. Adjournment 8:10 p.m.