

Forest Ranch Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, October 14, 2010

1. OPEN SESSION: Kiersten Morgan calls meeting to Order 6:14 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Kiersten Morgan - Community Representative and Chair
Dave Foreman - Community Representative and Vice Chair
Lisa Speegle - Parent Representative and CFO
Christia Marasco - Director
Diana Burgon - Parent Representative and Secretary
Seren Bradshaw - Community Representative - ABSENT
Melinda Boyd - Parent Representative and Volunteer Coordinator
Lisa Matoes - Teacher Representative
Lynne Wright - Educational Professional
Marlene Heisey - Parent Volunteer (Facilities and Fundraising) - ABSENT
Guests - None

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A. Approval of September 9, 2010 and September 22, 2010 meeting minutes 6:15 p.m.; Kiersten Morgan motions to accept both September 9 and September 22, 2010 minutes; Melinda Boyd seconds
AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright
NAYES: None
ABSTAINING: Lisa Matoes

4. DELETIONS TO CURRENT MEETING AGENDA: None

5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION: None

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION: None

7. CLOSED SESSION:

8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION: .

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

10. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Election of Board Secretary: 6:21 p.m. Diana Burgon may be leaving the area, and didn't want to leave a vacancy in the board's secretarial position. She will remain on the board as a parent representative. Diana Burgon resigns secretarial position. Seren Bradshaw is nominated for replacement. Kiersten Morgan makes motion for Seren Bradshaw to replace Diana Burgon; Dave Foreman seconds;
AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes
NAYES: None
ABSTAINING: None

B. Approval of "Letter From The Board" - October : 6:32 p.m. Discussion about letter. History of Forest Ranch school will be the October news letter. The Board Bios will be November. Diana Burgon makes motion to approve October and November's "Letter From The Board"; Lisa Speegle seconds;
AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes
NAYES: None
ABSTAINING: None

C. E-Rate Contract: 6:48 p.m. Jim Galloway did our E-Rate evaluation last year. \$500 for him to do all the paperwork. Kiersten Morgan makes motion to approve Jim Galloway to do the E-Rate evaluation; Diana Burgon seconds.
AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes
NAYES: None
ABSTAINING: None

D. Proposition 39 Application: 6:59 p.m. Kiersten Morgan recommends we approve the Prop 39 application with modifications included from the attorney and authorize Christia Morasco to negotiate on behalf of FRCS; Lynn Wright seconds.

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AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

E. Suspension / Expulsion Policy: 7:12 p.m. Attorney stated that we could switch “knife” from non-discretionary to discretionary in our policy and leave all the rest as is. Kiersten Morgan motions to accept policy as changed; Lisa Speegle seconds

AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

F. Fiscal Policy: 7:28 p.m. Kiersten Morgan makes motion to accept Fiscal policy as is; Melinda Boyd seconds

AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

G. Special Education Provider Contract: 7:31 p.m. Discussion about choices. No action at this time.

H. Saturday November 13th Board Training: 8:04 p.m. Will be held at Blue Oak Charter School 8:30a.m.-12:30 p.m.450 W.East Avenue. It’s \$100/school for board members, Directors, interested parties.

Kiersten Morgan makes motion that we pay \$100 to attend; Dave Foreman seconds;

AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

I. Staff Appreciation Dinner consideration: 8:09 p.m. Last year it was free for staff and a guest, board members paid their own way. Diana Burgon makes motion to allocate \$20/person (staff and one guest included) ; Lynne Wright seconds

AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

J. Website Advertising and Micro-Documentary Sponsorships consideration: 8:28 p.m. Putting advertisers on our school website. You can count hits, or you can do a flat rate. Table it at this point. INFORMATION ONLY

K. Advertising: “Thank You” to our Annie B supporters: 8:35 p.m. If we get in a substantial amount of donation it might be nice to do a TV ad featuring our bus and perhaps kids saying “Thank You” to Annie B’s donators and organizers. Perhaps do a billboard for a thank you, and then do a TV ad for general advertising this winter before kindergarten registration. Kiersten Morgan makes motion to spend approximately \$400 for a month long billboard rental for an Annie B’s billboard and approximately \$500 for development of television advertisement and approximately \$500 on airing the TV ad; Lynne Wright seconds;

AYES: Kiersten Morgan, Dave Foreman, Lisa Speegle, Diana Burgon, Melinda Boyd, Lynne Wright, Lisa Matoes

NAYES: None

ABSTAINING: None

11.CELEBRATIONS/RECOGNITION: None

12. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Assign “Letter From The Board” - November - (covered 10. B.)

B. Merit pay / stipend brainstorming - 8:52 p.m. perhaps form a matrix for merit pay or stipends. Test scores; growth; good evaluations and meeting objectives, would like to get staff recommendations. Would have to get a committee put together to do the evaluations, not the board. The teachers have talked about doing something like a homework session once a week or something if there were a stipend. INFORMATION ITEM ONLY

C. Update on Love Chico - 9:03 p.m. Due to miscommunication, we were not included this year. In 2011 need to make sure someone is appointed to do the paperwork, or contact the coordinator to let them know we definitely want to be included. INFORMATION ONLY

13. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

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A. PTP & Volunteer Coordinator Report - 9:06 p.m. \$290 made from hair cut fund-raiser. Did the Forest Ranch Fall Festival; did bulb fundraiser, still going through, but perhaps will make \$1,500. Ms. Lyons class brought in the most for the bulb fundraiser so they will be getting a pizza party soon. Barnes & Noble is coming up on December 12. Forest Full Moon Festival October 23.

Diana Burgon left meeting 9:28 p.m.

B. Teacher Report - 6:28 p.m. Lisa Matoes thanked board for the bonus given for their work resulting in increased API scores. Lisa Speegle commented that although the bonus had to do with the API scores this time, it is not the only measure the board will award bonuses on. Lisa Matoes reported on what each teacher is working on.

C. Facility Report - None

D. Safety Report -

14. PUBLIC COMMENTS

15. CONSENT ITEMS

16. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- A. **Duties Prioritization and Delegation**
- B. **STAR Test Results**
- C. **Enrollment**
- D. **Recruitment**
- E. **Electives and partnership with Kids on Creeks**
- F. **New programs and projects**
- G. **Reading rainbow and math facts**
- H. **Heritage feast - day before Thanksgiving break**
- I. **New education program in punctuation and grammar**

17. BOARD REPORTS

- A. **CFO Report**

18. FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

19. ADJOURNMENT