

NYOS Charter School, Inc.  
Governing Council Minutes  
Tuesday, August 21, 2007 - 6:00 p.m.  
1605 Kramer Lane, Austin, Texas 78758

In attendance: Dewayne Jones, Susana Hildebrand, Tiate Carson, Robert Brenner, Craig Shempert, Valerie Sterne, and Tamara Golden.

Guests: Teresa Elliott, Terry Berkenhoff, Julie Atchley, Lynn Perkins, Stacy Lasater, Dione Gumbs, and Sonya Williams.

Approval of Minutes

Dewayne Jones motioned to approve the minutes from 6/12/07, 6/20/07, 6/26/07, 7/12/07, and 07/17/07 with changes. The motion was seconded by Robert Brenner. Motioned passed.

PVC Report

Stacy Lasater reported on the success of a recent spirit night, raising almost \$400. Fall Festival will be held on November 3 at the Magnolia location if approved by the church. The PVC is planning a cookie dough sale to raise money for technology for the secondary program and playground development for the elementary.

Public Input

Sonya William asked to address the council on a personnel issue. The council agreed to meet in executive session with Ms. Williams at the end of the meeting.

Financial Report

YTD as of July 31, 2007 - Teresa Elliott presented at YTD financial report as of July 31, 2007.

The council decided upon a date of August 30, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. to approve the final operating budget of the year.

Teresa Elliott presented the Texas Credit Enhancement Program's Resolution, Agreement, and Reserve Fund Guaranty. The goal in applying for these funds was to replace the debt service funds of \$346,813 with a TCEP Insurance Certificate and transferring the current debt service funds to the required cash liquidity account established in the bond documents. As the paperwork submitted by legal counsel specified the use of the released funds for additional construction project funds, Teresa Elliott recommended that the council not take action until the paperwork clearly stipulates the ability to use the released funds for establishing the liquidity account. Michael Kamen motioned to table the item until the September 18 meeting. Robert Brenner seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Teresa Elliott explained the need for school credit cards, specifically in the area of school maintenance. Michael Kamen motioned that the council authorize Teresa

Elliott securing credit card with limits of \$1,500 each for Home Depot and Lowe's, conditional on the ability to ensure that they are paid monthly on time as to not have an accrual of interest. Bob Stewart and Terry Berkenhoff will have possession of these cards.

### Committee Reports

Teacher Retention Committee - The administration will look for a volunteer to head this committee.

Bylaw Review - Teresa Elliott reported the election results and discussed next steps in electing a new teacher and parent representative for the Magnolia campus.

Student Growth - Dewayne Jones reported that the STGC will be meeting at 5:00 prior to council meetings in his classroom.

Transition Committee - Susana Hildebrand reported that the work of the transition committee is coming to an end. The committee will meet one more time.

Student Recruitment - Valerie reported that Bill Pfaff has joined her on the student recruitment committee and that they will be meeting soon.

Management Committee - Robert Brenner reported that committee is continuing to develop the performance plans for the Executive Director and Principals.

Finance Committee - Has not met at this time.

Multi-cultural Committee - Teresa Elliott reported that she had met with Larkin Tom of Southwestern University regarding collaborating in grant writing for a multicultural curriculum writer. The committee is also planning to establish an advisory committee made up of external stakeholders to assist in the development of a premiere multicultural school.

Communications Committee - Dione Gumbs reported that the first meeting of the communications committee will be this Thursday at 6:00 p.m. at the Library table at the Lamar campus.

### Executive Session

Robert Brenner motioned for the council to go into executive session at 8:00 p.m. and invite Sonya Williams and other witnesses. The council took no formal action. The council also reviewed the final draft of the Executive Director's Performance Plan with Teresa Elliott.

Susana Hildebrand announced the next regularly scheduled meeting of the council is September 18, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.