

**NYOS Charter School  
Governing Council Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2012**

Meeting was called to order by Matt Lasater at 6:00 p.m. Members included: Matt Lasater, Hassan Al-Tabatabaie, Tammy Gomez, Melissa Wrinkle, Bethany Watts, Kitty Mappus, John Tintera, and Tamsin Clement.

Guests included: Kathleen Zimmermann, Julie Atchley, Terry Berkenhoff, Curtis Wilson, Lisa French, Jonathan Connor, Eric Contreras, and Tony Hogard.

Matt Lasater presented the meeting's agenda. Tammy Gomez made a motion to strike items 2a and 2c. John Tintera seconded the motion. The motion passed.

### **Governance and Development**

Matt Lasater welcomed and seated the new governing council members. The council thanked the departing members for serving.

Kathleen Zimmermann announced the results of the run-off election and welcomed Hassan Al-Tabatabaie as the run-off winner.

Tammy Gomez discussed with the council a possible conflict of interest of a community member. The council agreed that no bylaw changes were needed to address the concern.

Matt Lasater discussed the need for new Governing Council officers. The council members appointed Nick Giangulio as the new Governing Council Chair, Tammy Gomez as the Parliamentarian, and Melissa Wrinkle as the Secretary. The council also appointed Hassan Al-Tabatabaie as the Finance Committee Chair and Bethany Watts as the Board Development Committee Chair.

The council discussed and agreed upon the 2012-2013 Governing Council meeting dates:

- 07/17/2012
- 08/14/2012
- 09/11/2012
- 10/16/2012
- 11/13/2012
- 12/11/2012
- 01/08/2013
- 02/12/2013
- 03/05/2013
- 04/09/2013
- 05/14/2013

Lisa French and a representative of the Region XIII Benefits Coop discussed NYOS participating in the benefits coop. John Tintera made a motion to participate in the coop. Bethany Watts seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Matt Lasater updated the council on the finances and NYOS' plan to prepare for lower state funds next year. Enrollment at the end of the 2011-2012 school year was at 801 students. NYOS is fully enrolled at 848 students for the 2012-2013 school year.

### **School-wide Business**

Terry Berkenhoff stated several activities going on in the elementary:

- Working on the 3E's garden project at the Kramer Campus
- K-3<sup>rd</sup> Club ACE Monday-Friday
- 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade participating in camp at the Lamar Campus
- No test info until January 2013
- Professional development
- Specials teachers will back Monday-Friday and working on programs
  - Anti-Cyber Bullying

Julie Atchley stated several activities going on in the secondary:

- Summer math/reading tutoring for 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade students
- Summer EL/math/leadership tutoring 8<sup>th</sup> grade students
- STAAR 9<sup>th</sup> grade students scores were good, but are working with students that need intervention
- AP results should be in June or July
  - TAKS- 100% passed the exit tests
- NHS and the football teams are helping out at the school this summer
- Professional development

Kathleen Zimmermann updated the council on the current facility changes. Building D and the portable outside of building D are in the process of being finished. They are working on the sidewalks, alarm system and electric to the portable.

Kathleen Zimmermann stated that the Greenlights non-profit contract starts June 25, 2012, and will continue through September 2012.

Kathleen Zimmermann announced to the council that NYOS won the Austin Family Magazine's Favorite Charter School award for 2012. Kathleen also announced NYOS high school ranked in the top 3 of the Children at Risk rankings this year.

May 3, 2012, minutes were reviewed and corrected, but will be reviewed again next meeting for a specific correction.

Matt Lasater adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bronwyn Sanderson