

**NYOS Charter School
Governing Council Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2013**

Meeting was called to order by Matt Lasater at 6:04 p.m. Members present included: Matt Lasater, Lisa Lamkin, Hassan Al-Tabatabaie, Tammy Gomez, Bethany Watts, John Tintera, Kristi Heckman, and Melissa Wrinkle.

Staff included: Kathleen Zimmermann, Julie Atchley, Curtis Wilson, Terry Berkenhoff
Guest included: Susie O'Dell.

Governance and Development

Matt Lasater presented the meeting's agenda. John Tintera made a motion to strike item 2d and change item 2bII from a vote on the amendment to a discussion only. Lisa Lamkin seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Kathleen Zimmermann presented and discussed the school campus and building safety measures. A letter was sent out to the NYOS community on December 14, 2012, addressing the school's ongoing safety measures. Processes and procedures are evaluated and upgraded on a routine basis.

Kathleen Zimmermann proposed the school's new mission statement. John Tintera made a motion to accept the new NYOS mission statement. Bethany Watts seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The board suggested selecting a new uniform committee. Council members who volunteered to serve on the committee: Tammy Gomez (Chairperson), Bethany Watts, Melissa Wrinkle, Lisa Lamkin, and Tamsin Clement.

The council discussed making a nomination committee for spring GC elections. The committee will consist of: Melissa Wrinkle (Chairperson), Lisa Lamkin, and Nick Giangliulo. Elections will be held May 7, 2013.

Kathleen Zimmermann introduced the planned expansion of KIPP Austin Public Schools. They want to expand their K-4 next year. The location would be in South Austin. The governing council agreed that there would not be any significant impact on NYOS. Lisa Lamkin made a motion to accept KIPP's amendment request for the proposed growth. Hassan Al-Tabatabaie seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Committee Reports

Susie O'Dell updated the council on upcoming PVC activities:

- January 10, 2013 General PVC meeting
- SCRIP sale will start soon
- Parent safety Q&A about security

PVC members are working on nominations for next year's leadership positions within the PVC. Susie O'Dell also introduced Brianna Smith. Ms. Smith is in charge of the NYOS Pipeline.

Hassan Al-Tabatabaie updated the Council on the financial committee report. Accounts are up to date and the Club ACE grant has been credited. NYOS is currently working with banks on financing for building D. Current enrollment is at 839.

Kathleen Zimmermann updated the Council on the policy committee progress. All policy updates that need to be changed have been turned in to Kathleen Zimmermann. She will analyze, compile, and distribute by February 2013 meeting.

Kathleen Zimmermann updated the council on the progress with the enrollment policy and procedures. Kathleen Zimmermann is still working with the NYOS lawyers and TEA to get clarification on the enrollment policy.

School-wide Business

Terry Berkenhoff stated several activities going on in the elementary:

- NYOS Club ACE STAR teachers will be trained on usage of smart boards
- STAR program is at full enrollment and has a waiting list
- The teachers are getting ready for mid-year conferences
- NYOS received a large donation of Bluebonnet Books. Elementary is starting a Bluebonnet reading club.
- Open house on 1/31/13 at the Kramer Campus.
- NYOS talent show 1/17/13 at the Kramer gym.

Curtis Wilson stated several activities going on in the secondary:

- NYOS had several students represent our school at the Texas State Charter School Conference. They were involved with filming and providing musical entertainment.
- The fall sports banquet was December 18, 2012. Former UT Coach David McWilliams was the special guest.
- All 11th-12th grade girls attended the 2013 Texas Conference for Women

Julie Atchley updated the council on campus development. There are 365 new members on the community news. We have started the NYOS Champion campaign to appeal to parents and other

family members to contribute funds to NYOS. This annual appeal will replace the Cash Cow program.

Kathleen Zimmermann updated the council on building D progress at the Lamar campus.

- NYOS will secure financing this week.
- Approval for plumbing (water meter) will also be approved.
- We are currently waiting on a building permit.

December 11, 2012 minutes were reviewed. Lisa Lamkin made a motion to approve the minutes with stated corrections. Kristi Heckman seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Matt Lasater adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bronwyn Sanderson