

Northwest Youth Corps
Twin Rivers Charter School Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
May 7th, 2024

Present: Helen Haberman, Jane Kammerzelt, Jeff Orlandini, Liz Wigham

Also: Sara Gangaware, Jeff Parker, Kristin Humphrey

Student Panel: Moss Cabe and Payshence Cunningham

1. Meeting called to order 4:31 by Helen Haberman
2. Guest Introduction – no guests present.
3. Approval of Minutes – none to approve as they were approved in the prior Joint TRCS/NYC meeting.
4. Public Comment – none as no members of the public were present.
5. Principal Report – visual aid with statistics included in the packet.
 - a. Enrollment – up 8 students in the last quarter including four 8th graders, two 9th graders and two 10th graders. All are integrating well into the school culture and academic curriculum.
 - b. Upcoming Lottery – will be determined after enrollment inquiries are handled. It may not be necessary due to siblings of existing students that may come. There will be 16 openings in the 8th grade and limited openings in the upper grades.
 - c. From the Roots summary – The student representatives, Moss and Payshence had a slideshow showing the participants and work. It was noted there were more alumni attending than in previous years, which is a result of increased alumni outreach. There was also a showing of the KEZI news video from the event. The students also commented on the relational nature of the teaching staff and how their engagement with the students makes it easier to learn and causes them to enjoy coming to school.
 - d. Upcoming events – a spike trip May 21-24, where yellow and blue crews will be doing projects at the McKenzie Discovery center to supplement their studies on forest fires and the red & orange crews will go to the McMinnaville Air & Space Museum to supplement their learning about astronomy. Kristin outlined to dates for the 8th grade graduation (June 6th) and Senior graduation (June 7th) which will be followed by an optional recreation spike in which students have the options to go fishing, rafting and other, to be determined, outdoor excursions.
 - e. The 4th Quarter Expo is the evening of June 5th and is open to the public.

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6. Director Report – Jeff Parker
 - a. Fiscal YTD Income Statement – much like previous, numbers are as expected and the school is in good financial health.
7. Board Resolution: A grant opportunity has come up in which TRCS can apply for a study as part of a Department of Energy Planning Grant to determine the scope to upgrade the campus electrical system. This would be the first step to potentially getting a subsequent grant to do the actual upgrade apply for this, the Board needs to have a member state the Board has appointed Kristin Humphrey as the designated person to apply for the grant. It was moved by Jeff Orlandini and seconded by Liz Wigham, and unanimously approved, to have Jeff Orlandini sign a letter to the grantor that Kristin is the designated person to do this.
8. Lead findings public disclosure. Jeff Parker noted a routine water testing was done, which is mandated every 6 years and 4 spigots had elevated lead exposure. They were immediately decommissioned until repairs can be made. The students and parents were notified in writing, per the requirements. The standard is 15 parts per billion and these 4 had between 36-149 parts per billion. The issue is lead soldering due to the age of the building and the testing being on stagnant water. Running water tests do not show this. 15 of 29 spigots on the campus have been replaced in the last 10 years, per Jeff Parker. These are replaced as indicated by testing.
9. Discussion – June meeting agenda. Since there was not a quorum to officially cancel the meeting, as the present members deemed it not necessary, it was decided an email will go out to all board members to weigh in on whether or not to have a June meeting. The next scheduled meeting, on June 18th, is after school is out and it was determined information regarding enrollment and staffing could be covered at the following meeting, which is at the beginning of the year.
10. Meeting Adjourned 5:34 pm

Respectfully Submitted:

Jane Kammerzelt, Secretary _____ May 8,
2024

Helen Haberman,
President _____ Date _____