

Ridgeview Classical Schools BOD  
4-19-2004  
Ridgeview Classical Schools  
Board Room @ 6:00pm

Attendance:

**I. Executive Session**

A. Contract & Personnel Performance Issues

**II Minutes Review**-Amend/Approve 2-17-2005. Meeting began: 6:05 pm  
In attendance: Dr. Moore, Kim Miller, Mr. Carpine, Jim Powers, Peggy Schunk, Amie Sharp, Mark Geib, Geoff Herndon, April Treloar, Diane Dooley, Craig Peel, Jackie Bermel, Susan Wiederhold, Jennifer Walls

**III. Reports:**

A. President – Core Knowledge conference- as usually our teachers realize how advanced we are in our delivery of Core Knowledge. Discussed evaluating a way to get the “Grader” books out to our parents.

B. Vice President/ Secretary – HS brochures were mailed out last Thursday. The board is taping all senior theses and will present to students as gifts. Mrs. Fennel and Kim went to conference on IDEA. Really good things, moving to RTI model, meaning SPED should intervene before test. Early intervention obviously benefits kids and saves money. “Educational casualties” are being blamed for why some children are behind.

C. Treasurer

D. Member

E. Member – Jim –IT – Ruffdogs will contact Dr. Moore for Lineux training

F. Principal – Hiring in process. Good candidates. The combination of doing what we are suppose to do with our curriculum, as well as being around long enough has proved very constructive. Fewer but much better candidates. Senior theses being delivered. They are fabulous. Have not had to deliver the “Don’t drop your pack” speech yet.

G. Assistant Principal\_ CSAP’s turned in. ACT’s next week.

H. Business – working with new school accountant and training on the system. Chief financial officer in district has been notified that we are a few months behind due to the learning curve of this new employee. Legislature is finished- PPOR will go down \$1.00/student this year but there will be a rescission next year. Capital construction is not final yet but governor told house and senate that the \$5mill for charters has to be there or he will veto.

I. Teacher – Peggy motions to bring teacher comment to the front. Jim seconds. Unanimous. Mr. Herndon thanked the BOD for understanding his personal situation

J. Committee – Mrs. Walls has volunteered to organize Teacher appreciation again next year. This year was a huge success. Thank you!

#### IV. Old Business

- A. Enrollment/Lottery Update – 2005-2006 – discussed fairs to participate in. Purchasing printers. Marketing budget has basically been spent.
- B. Info Meeting – 2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays / May 9, 2005
- C. Policy Violations/Communications – Report – None noted
- D. Facility –
  - a. Update & Funding – Campus crusade are looking around, have not committed to us.
  - b. Review Action Items- DM – 7 business days for getting grades reported from teachers. Exceptions: are Christmas break as well as Monday folders in Elementary school. Easement: papers were served to Business Park. We have heard one response from an entity that was unaware of the situation. They would like to resolve this amicably.  
Soccer update: case came back dismissed due to league was not named in suit. They were not enforcing their own rules. We had to decide if we want to sue the league. We do not want to do this, but have not decided fully. We attended monthly league meeting and presented the situation asking what position they would take. There was no response. Options we gave, (1) change rules of league, or (2) joining RCS to sue Bromley or (3) disbanding the league or (4) forfeit all games to Bromley or (5) offer girls soccer. Dr. Moore has followed up with an email to all to clarify. We have no judgment on our original position.  
Program for grades: we would like it to be running by end of year to practice for next year. Calendar link to website has not yet been taken care of. Will schedule Annual address May 3<sup>rd</sup> to coincide with Bar-b-que.  
Amie motions to give marketing any leftover money that was not spent on camera equipment. Mark seconds. Unanimous. DSL= not complete.  
Budget has been sent to school district – we will review later.

- V. **Community Comments** –. Susan Weiderhold – will email statement. Wants to discuss adding capri's to dress code. This is a time for students to be confused, why not their clothing. Also financially beneficial due to cutting long pants shorter and getting more wear out of them.

#### VI. New Business

- A. Policy Third & Final Reading – Policy Revision
  - 1. SE 3.01 or AP 7.01 Grade Level Placement  
Changes: will be an academic policy. See attached.
- B. **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Revision/Review**
  - 1. Policy E-7.15 Use of Internet and Email
- C. 1<sup>st</sup> reading-Revision/Review
  - 1. AP 2.1 Teaching Evolution – first 3 years of school very few questions concerning evolution. Lately, a few more questions about alternatives. Policy simply states what we are teaching and refers any faith questions back to parents. Different faiths have different opinions so we only teach evolution as a theory, not absolute truth or the only

absolute truth. Mrs. Petterson has had the subject brought up several times. Discussion of alternative views, possibly a non-evolutionist view. We stand by our policy, want to avoid a huge evolution issue, and do not want to divide our parent body. We are not requiring students to believe evolution, but we are requiring them to learn it. Discussed definition of theory. What science means is different than common usage. Theory vs. theory.

b. Biology and evolution: questions that have arisen?

**E. Consent Agenda**

a. Building Financing. Amie motions to proceed with attempt to refinance building through a bond with the terms presented if the final numbers are within \$25,000.00 savings .If it exceeds these parameters then the decision will be deferred to any two BOD members and Dr Moore. Jim seconds. Unanimous.

**Break**

**I. Discussion**

1. BOD Elections-review example procedure – read significant part of charter. We have families with split households; those families still only receive 2 votes total. Jim motions, that election procedure be onsite in person over a span of 5 school days during 8 am to 2pm and a minimum of two evening activities. Amie seconds. Unanimous. Need to do this tomorrow.

2. Budget 2005-2006 – Discussed proposed budget vs. real budget. Unemployment insurance has gone up significantly. PPOR has gone up somewhat from last year. \$5,704.00 last year. We believe we will get \$5,782.00 for 2005-06. Based rate has been lowered which may effect us in years to come. Thinking 2006-07 will be \$10.00/student less.

3. Question re: Charter Contract - read letter from our lawyer

4. Calendar AY 05-06 – Changed November 4 to a day off. April 18<sup>th</sup> is a day of school. Jim motions to accept calendar including these changes. Mark seconds. Unanimous.

5. To PSD: Public regarding charters question – attached, letters from our lawyer.

VII. Other – motion to adjourn 9:19pm

VIII. Community Comments

