

Great Expectations School
Growing Hearts and Minds, One Child at a Time

Regular School Board Meeting at Great Expectations School
Tuesday, June 16, 2015, 4:00 p.m.
REVISED AGENDA

Prior to the start of the meeting, information was shared regarding the FY16 budget, the new hoop house guidelines, and the Director's Report.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m.
 - 1.1 Attendance: Present- Sue Butter, Jeff Kern, Annette Valdivia-Block, Peter James, Clara Weitz, Sara Hingos via phone at 5:18.
2. Reading of the Mission: The mission of the school is to develop in each child: a love of learning; critical and creative thinking skills; mastery of the academic building blocks; the ability to nurture family, friends and self; a strong commitment to being a contributing member of a community; open-heartedness toward others; and a passion for life-long learning.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - 3.1 Approve Agenda: the agenda was shortened
 - 3.2 Approve Minutes from May 19, 2015 Meeting

Motion by Jeff, seconded by Sue, to approve the minutes and the revised agenda. All in favor.

4. Treasurer's Report
 - 4.1 Approve Budget FY 2016
There will be a 2% per pupil increase for FY16. Pete reviewed other recent updates to the budget. **Motion** by Jeff, seconded by Annette, to approve the budget for FY16. All in favor.

5. New Business
 - 5.1 Hoop House Garden Rental
Pete presented the proposed guidelines for sharing gardening space in the hoop house with interested staff members, volunteers and GES families. Participants will help maintain the raised beds used for the Great Lunch program.
Motion by Sue, seconded by Annette to approve the guidelines. Sara asked about a liability waiver. Pete said participants are already covered by the school's liability insurance since it is a school activity. All in favor.

7. Director's Report
Pete reported that four days of teacher workshops during the first week of June went very well. They focused on gifted and talented students, and writing for all grades. The book How the Gifted Brain Learns was read and used as a resource. Teachers also had transition meetings to discuss students who are moving to a new classroom in the fall.

8.Upcoming Actions

8.1 Approve New Hires

8.2 Auditor Forms (Conflict of Interest)

9. Check-out

9.1 Meeting Survey

10. Adjournment: **Motion** by Sara, seconded by Jeff, to adjourn the meeting at 5:21.

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