Endeavor Charter School

Endeavor Board Meeting Minutes: April 16, 2012

Call to Order:

Lisa Springle called to order the regular meeting of the Endeavor Charter School Board of Directors at 7 pm in Endeavor's multi-purpose room.

Present:

Lisa Springle, Steve McAdams, Lisa Bolton, Margaret Holder, Christian Nechyba, Helen Harris, Andy Kristianson, Jim Dotson

Approval of Minutes:

Christian Nechyba moved for approval of minutes from the March board meeting. Andy Kristianson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Boosters Budget Review:

Beth Johnson reviewed the boosters budget. A surplus of $20,844.33 was reported for this year.

Treasurer's Report:

Margaret Holder presented the treasurer's report. Bank balances were as follows:

Regions Bank:	$226,154.72
Bank of America:	$202,787.05
Harrington Bank (CD):	$226,974.51
Harrington Bank (Checking):	$173,661.20
First Citizens Bank:	$653,718.77

High School Assignment Update

Christian Nechyba and Maija McAdams provided an update on the new Wake County student assignment plan. Of eighth grade surveys returned to date, 89% of students who would be attending a Wake County high school next year had received their first choice high school assignment. This data was still preliminary, as several eighth grade students had not received a high school assignment yet and many surveys had not yet been returned. The new assignment plan does grant priority for assignment to a specific high school for younger siblings of students who are currently in grades 9 through 11 at a Wake County public high school. More complete data on assignments would hopefully be available for the May board meeting.

2012-2013 Calendar Revision

Maija McAdams presented a revised calendar for the 2012-13 school year. Endeavor received a waiver for the legislatively mandated additional 5 school days for the coming academic year. These five school days would be converted to teacher work days. Lisa Springle moved to accept the 2012-2013 school calendar as proposed. Andy Kristianson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The revised calendar would be posted on the school website.

Director's Update:

Steve McAdams presented a director's update. Sixth graders were attending Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama this week. Two applications had been received to date for the new part-time middle school math position.

2012-2013 Budget Discussion:

Margaret Holder asked that proposals for the 2012-13 budget be submitted by May 7. No significant changes in revenues for the coming year were expected at this time.

Surveys:

The board discussed the issue of parent and staff surveys for this year. The board generally advocated a "big picture," more streamlined survey for parents than the one used in prior years. Jim Dotson agreed to formulate a survey proposal and present it to the board. The school would utilize the North Carolina working conditions survey for staff.

Land Search Update

Steve Santana reported that letters of intent had gone out on four potential land sites, including a site at Burlington Mills Road and Capital Boulevard, a site at Atlantic Avenue near Spring Forest Road, a site at Fox Road near Triangle Town Center, and a site at Perry Creek Road.
The Foundation was engaging the architect at a deeper level on the components of the permanent school facility. The board revisited the size of the K-8 school at a permanent facility. The board would review administrative recommendations for optimal school size as it pertains to the academic program as the first step to formulating a five year plan for expansion. The board would also discuss the options for lease renewal at Forum Drive at an upcoming board meeting.

Closed Personnel Session:

Andy Kristianson moved that the board go into closed session to discuss personnel topics, in accordance with statutes 143.318.11 (a) (4) and 143.318.11 (a) (6). Margaret Holder seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The board went into closed session at 8:35 pm. The board returned to open session at 9:29 pm.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.