



Endeavor Board Meeting Minutes: March 12, 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, DJ Hill

Approval of Minutes:

Christian Nechyba moved for approval of minutes from the February board meeting. Lisa Springle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Math Position Proposal:

Melissa Dougherty discussed a proposal to add a 50% math position to serve 7th and 8th grade, as well as provide some assistance in 6th grade (Appendix A). This additional staffing was proposed because of the significant changes due to the new common core standards, and the need to provide additional differentiated instruction by adding a common core math course at 7th grade and 8th grade. Currently, one person is responsible for five math courses (the norm would be two courses). This addition would also allow geometry to be taught during the school day. This 50% position would be responsible for common core math grade 7 and 8, an elective, and providing some assistance in common core math grade 6. The cost of the new position was estimated at \$16,000 to \$20,000, but a cost of \$6000 for teaching period 0 geometry would also be eliminated.

Christian Nechyba moved to approve a new math position up to 50% time to serve students in 6th through 8th grade starting in July 2012. Lisa Springle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:

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

Regions Bank:	\$226,126.98
Bank of America:	\$202,778.47

Harrington Bank (CD): \$226,620.47
Harrington Bank (Checking): \$173,661.20
First Citizens Bank: \$490,105.41

The projected end of year surplus for this school year was \$215,491.

Director's Update:

Steve McAdams reported that he and Melissa Dougherty had attended a meeting for the region's superintendents, principals and teachers regarding the new curriculum standards. The school was planning math day for this Wednesday. Mrs. Gault was heading a drive to help an Endeavor family impacted by the war. There were over 700 applications for ECS admission for next year.

PAWS Officer Nominations:

Kris Stauffer reported that the PAWS nominating committee had not had much response yet for 2012-2013 officer nominations, and that any help was appreciated.

NC Public Charter Schools Organization:

Steve McAdams recommended that Endeavor join Eddie Goodall's North Carolina Public Charter Schools Association. He stated that Mr. Goodall's organization was very in touch with charter school needs and advocacy. Raleigh Charter High School also intended to join the new organization. The cost of joining was \$1300, which would grant school personnel access to charter school meetings, and regular updates from the organization. The board agreed that the school should join this organization (no formal vote was taken).

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

Closed Sessions:

Andy Kristianson moved that the board move into closed session in accordance with statute 143.318.11 (a) (5) in order to enter discussion with our agent regarding the land search. Christian Nechyba seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The board went into closed session at 8:30 pm. The board reconvened in open session at 9:40 pm.

Land Search Vote:

DJ Hill made a motion to accept the offer on 9621 Six Forks Road as materially presented (in the preceding closed session) not to exceed the counteroffer of New Community Church. The board would require a final affirmative vote prior to the expiration of the examination period. Christian Nechyba seconded the motion. DJ Hill, Steve McAdams, Lisa Springle, Andy Kristianson,

Margaret Holder, Christian Nechyba, Jim Dotson, and Lisa Bolton voted in favor of the motion. Helen Harris voted against the motion. The motion was approved.

Closed Personnel Session:

Andy Kristianson moved that the board go into closed session to discuss routine personnel topics, in accordance with statute 143.318.11 (a) (6). Christian Nechyba seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The board went into closed session at 9:45 pm. The board returned to open session at 9:59 pm.

Adjournment:

Lisa Springle adjourned the meeting at 10 pm.

APPENDIX A: Proposal for a 50% Math Teacher

Math Proposal: The school needs an additional 50% math teacher for grades 7 and 8. The need is based on all math courses changing curriculums beginning 2012-2013 and our plan to add more offerings for 7th and 8th grades. For the past two years students, did not have these options available and took pre-algebra as 7th graders and Algebra 1 as 8th graders. While this approach has been successful for a majority of our students, given anticipated needs of rising 7th grade students, as well as compacting suggestions based on Common Core, we feel this is a move that will best serve our student population. This plan allows us to offer more pacing options for math.

50% Math Teacher Job Duties: The 50% math teacher will be responsible for Common Core Math 7 and Common Core Math 8. This teacher will also be responsible for teaching a middle school elective on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. This person will serve to support the sixth grade math teacher Tuesday-Friday.

Sample Schedule

- This schedule includes Mrs. Boas as the full time math teacher to show her allocation of time. Actual class times may shift slightly from those shown below.

Time (M and Tues.)	Full Time Position	Part Time (50%) Position
8:45-10:25	A Days: Common Core Math 7 PLUS B Days: Common Core Math I	X
10:25-10:55	Morning Meeting	X
10:55-12:35	A Days: Common Core Math 7 PLUS B Days: Common Core Math I	X
12:35-1:10	A Days: Planning* (1 st half) B Days: Math II	A Days: Common Core Math 7* (1 st half) B Days: Common Core Math 8
1:10- 2:10	Lunch break	Assist in the Common Core 6 math class on Tuesday (Mondays will be a planning period)
2:10-3:10	A Days: Planning* (2 nd half) B Days: Geometry	A Days: : Common Core Math 7* (2 nd half) B Days: Common Core Math 8
3:10-3:30	Homeroom Carpool Duty	Outdoor Carpool Duty

* This block is divided into two parts with lunch and recess in between.

Time (W, TH, F)	Full Time Position	Part Time (50%) Position
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8:45-10:05	A Days: Common Core Math 7 PLUS B Days: Common Core Math I	X
10:05-10:30	Morning Meeting	X
10:30-11:50	A Days: Common Core Math 7 PLUS B Days: Common Core Math I	X
11:50-1:10	A Days: Planning B Days: Math II	A Days: Common Core Math 7 B Days: Common Core Math 8
1:10-2:10	Lunch	Assist in the Common Core 6 math class Wed-Fri.
2:10-3:05	Elective Class	Elective Class
3:10-3:30	Homeroom Carpool Duty	Outdoor Carpool Duty

Requiring less preparations for the full time math teacher; currently Mrs. Boas has 5 math classes to prepare for (most departmentalized teachers have 2	- Planning at a different time from the rest of the 7/8 team. - Finding a qualified/ interested individual to work this part time position
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preparations) • Allowing each math teacher to focus on the new standards while preparing their students for End of Grade Assessments or End of Course Assessments. • Allowing Geometry to be taught during the actual school day • Having additional assistance in the 6th grade math classes to support struggling students on a consistent basis • Allowing us to have an additional high level math person to support the math program in middle grades	
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