

YLA Board Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2017

Board Members Present: Michael Hendricks, Roslyn Holcombe, Brian James, Mark Mogge, Stacy Powell, Stephanie Price, Lloyd Silva and Henry Wilson.

Board Members Excused: Howard Brown, Matthew Littleton and Tiffany Stewart.

Others Present: Sandee Blankenship, YLA Principal.

Call To Order: The YLA Board held its monthly meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. in the Youth Learning Institute Board Room #1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian James.

Public Input: None

Previous Month Minutes Approval: Stacy Powell made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2017 Board Meeting as presented. Stephanie Price seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statement: Sandee Blankenship presented the February 2017 Financial Statement. Ms. Blankenship reported that there was nothing out of the ordinary on the Financial Report. Lloyd Silva made a motion to accept the report as information. Mark Mogge seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

School Report: Sandee Blankenship, Principal, reported that the most recent evaluation of Cross Fit showed that the students gained significant strength, but research proves that a blended model of Cross Fit and Physical Education provides best overall benefits. The Outdoor Classroom that was funded by the ARC Grant should be ready for use by mid-March. Landscaping will continue to be a work in progress. The ARC Grant also provided funds for Virtual Reality Goggles that will be used in the STEM modules. The Greenhouse has been ordered. The students recently participated in the Spring House Games. All 8th graders are registered and have toured their high schools for next year. Last month's lottery yielded 45 students on the 6th grade waiting list. The 8th graders won the Can Do Good Contest and will be awarded a check for \$1000 for the school and \$1000 will be given to United Christian Ministries. As a kick-off to the upcoming Career Day, Alumni Day was recently held and staff wore T-Shirts from their Alma Maters and talked to the students about their degrees and the college(s) they attended. Robotics Team gave a presentation to the Easley Rotary. The Amazing Shake Contest continues and Mark Mogge is working on getting a device donated for the grand prize.

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Questions, Comments, Concerns: Mark Mogge suggested having a Spirit Rock at the School to raise funds. The big rock can be “rented” for birthday parties or other events and the kids can paint graffiti on it. The only cost would be having someone bring in a suitable boulder.

Executive Session, if necessary:

Adjournment: Roslyn Holcombe made a motion for the meeting to adjourn. Henry Wilson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Henry Wilson made a motion to reopen the meeting for the purpose of discussing next month’s Board Meeting. Stephanie Price seconded. The motion carried. Ms. Blankenship stated the second Monday of April is Spring Break and asked if the Board wanted to change the date of the meeting. After discussion, Lloyd Silva made a motion to hold the next meeting on Monday, April 17, 2017 even though the students are out of school that day. Stephanie Price seconded. The motion carried unanimously. There being no further business, Roslyn Holcombe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stacy Powell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 17, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. The state-mandated Board Member training will be presented during this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roslyn Holcombe

Roslyn Holcombe
Recording Secretary