

Colorado High School Charter  
October 11, 2022 Board Meeting  
4:00

Call to order: At 4:05 Nneka called the meeting to order

Present: Michael McArthur, Nneka McPhee, Sarah Marin, Stella Yu, Greg Mestas, Cyndi Bush-Luna, Ryan Marks

Remote: Cyndi Greg Sarah Michael Nneka and Jennifer

Absent: None

Staff Present: Jennifer Lilly, Carla Erickson, Clark Callahan, Liz Feldhusen, David Brown

Public Present: None

Consent agenda Motion to approve the 10/11/22 agenda Cyndi motioned Greg seconded. All in favor. None opposed/abstained

Approve Board minutes 4:07 motion to approve board minutes – will approve both in November

4:09 Reading of vision – Michael McArthur

Public Comment - None

4:19 Auditors' Report – John Cutler

Finished audit waiting for DPS approval. No issues or problems. No difficulties performing audit, no adjustments. Reports throughout the year are accurate. No disagreements with management. Did not consult with independent outside consultants. Congratulations to Jennifer for her preparation and hard work with the audit.

***Osage Story of the Month***

12<sup>th</sup> grader. 3<sup>rd</sup> year at CHS. Nominated for growth, inclusivity and relationships. All A's in classes. Student is proud of self and understands what it takes to be successful.

***GES Story of the Month***

6<sup>th</sup> year high school student, core values 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> ways. Credit complete. Previously struggled with passing math. Has been working with a T.A. Has grown personally. Student suffered during the pandemic because very social. Overcame that now and will be a graduate of 2023.

Student tragedy at GES was acknowledged.

4:19 shift to audit report

## **GES REPORT**

Student count goal was 171 confident GES will be at 179 or higher

What worked: SST coming together, clear goals, stayed on pace for goals, David held practice clinics for SST to model and had SST practice, DPS transition liaison team brought 15+ students, referrals from previous students/graduates, post cards and radio ads

### **Q1 Highlights**

SPF Performance Rating

4-Day school week

Data days/cross campus collaboration

School culture – school wide community meetings led by students, welcoming/inclusive environment of school, music in the morning

Open forum w/principal

### **Q2 Focus**

Moving forward with hiring SPED case manager via emergency licensure. Supports in place for success.

Charter Renewal Visit – 11/8

Continued relationship with Arts Street and Youth on Record

Communication with families

Harvest Baskets

Improved Student Attendance

Mid-year indicator feedback with staff

Senior Demonstrations of Learning

Q3 Enrollment

Student memories

Added that the work with Struggle of Love has been calming and provided understanding during these times (student deaths). Acknowledged intern's approach.

Q/A – question about 4-day school week and role it plays with increased attendance

## **OSAGE REPORT**

### **Q1 Highlights**

Anticipating 195-198 to be counted. Goal was 189. 202 on rolls.

Meeting enrollment prior to the first day of school and being on a waitlist.

Weekly attendance interventions v recruiting

Focus on improving practices around a waitlist and attendance policy starting Q1

Be more proactive with documentation required for online students

## Successes

SPF Rating and +2

Consistent student engagement

Enrichment

75 Minute classes

Career fair

Count Day/Window

## **Q2 Focus**

Homeroom reset

Attendance Policy implementation – will also drive wait list policy

Looking to fill Guidance Counselor and Post-Secondary Advocate

Still searching for SS teacher – will have Youth on Record provide two sections of music, power and identify a social studies elective course, working with a staff member to teach an additional US History course

Acknowledge two staff members for their work with attendance tracking/enrollment

Q/A – comments on enrollment and need for additional space to add students.

How to address waitlist? Encouraged Board-approved published policies. How are other AEC's in the Denver area doing in terms of enrollment? Noted that two were up, two were down.

Online component via CHSC makes a difference. Question asked about CE and if that could free space? Response was that CE at CHSC is one class not a full day. It was added that our school runs better when class size is 18-22 as it allows the focus to be on quality instruction.

Comments on wait list management.

## ***4:56 ORG REPORT***

Acknowledged school principals and work they have accomplished in getting Q1 started. Cited specific examples for each campus.

Leadership team preparing to survey 4-day school week. Data will be shared in November.

Strides in identifying HR/Finance platforms.

Hosted Scott Esserman from DPS Board of Directors at Osage

*Q/A – what prompted Esserman's visit? Visiting schools up for renewal.*

## ***5:05 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT***

Met last Thursday. Ryan, Clark, Jennifer, Greg

Accounts for both schools ahead of budget.

Supplies high – due to start of school.

Overtime paydown from mortgages will be moved from debt services.

Increased enrollment – what expenses will need to be made to accommodate numbers?

Continue to make sure there is room in budget to support mental health needs.

Job market challenges were re-iterated.

No questions for committee

Cyndi requested that personnel committee stay post meeting to calendar next meeting.

5:11 Adjourned motion to adjourn by Ryan, seconded by Michael