

Inavale Community Partners
Board Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2009

Convened 7:20pm

Present: Jen Renée, Tanya Freeman, Payton James-Amberg, Christine Horning, Morning McCreary, Kathy Brewer, Kathleen Westly

Public Input: Kathy informed Board that Meredith Wade has finished compiling the transportation survey info and will be reporting on that shortly.

Approval of Minutes: Reviewed minutes from 1/8/09 and 1/22/09 meeting minutes. Made three amendments to 1/22/09 minutes. Motion to approve (Payton), second (Morning); passed fours and fives.

School Report:

- A student that had withdrawn to go back to homeschooling has re-enrolled at MCCS.
- Jen has received a letter of resignation from Janelle Watson. Due to her husband's change in employment, they will be moving from the Corvallis community. We regret our loss! **AI: Jen** needs to review process for employee to follow when resigning, and make sure this is followed.

Firtex Update: Jen presented the process determined upon with district representatives in meeting on 2/5/09 (with Greg Lecuyer, John Meyer, Kim Patten, Jen Renee, Kathleen Westly). Kim will meet with district carpenter Tim Phillips and Fire Marshal Ray Hubble to agree upon method to secure tiles to ceiling and upon paint and painting process to be used. Following that, Kim will meet at school with paint contractors to begin bid process. Kim will oversee all bid information, documentation, and contracting with painting contractor. A couple of dates that are best for MCCS for the work to be completed were discussed; both will mean that all work is completed and billed prior to the date required before the incentive grant expires. It was also agreed that MCCS will pay for all work and materials with the Phase III grant money, and that the total amount will be credited to MCCS against the money owed to 509J for the capital fund portion of our lease, not to exceed the amount owed toward this pot. **AI: Jen** will draft notes from meeting and circulate with those present; Greg will write up a summary of the agreement for the funds to be credited.

Report on 6th Grade Reconfiguration: Kathleen presented information from meeting at district with Steve Youngblood and Mike Strowbridge. "Bottom line" for Steve is that he doesn't feel he can "with integrity" recommend to the Board that they expand MCCS to include 6th, without a track record to show that we are managing our existing charter well. His other concerns remain, which are primarily: cost, transition for students into larger middle school, when they did not go through this with their peers as incoming 6th graders. He doesn't give much weight to the desire for students to remain a year or two longer at MCCS to minimize transitions, given this was what these families agreed to in enrolling 4th/5th grade students in Muddy Creek anyway. Steve recommends that we go ahead and request the 509J Board to consider our proposal anyway. **AI: Kathleen** to follow up with Steve about getting onto Board agenda; prefer 2/9; 2/23 is backup date, for answer on 3/9.

Report on Lincoln School: Christine participated as part of focus group to look at Lincoln School programs. Had originally been conceived to evaluate future of Middle School, but was broadened to include all Lincoln programs. Steve Youngblood ran the meeting, in which he said there would be one more meeting, although subsequent follow up has made it appear that this may not be so.

Sustainability Coalition: Christine attended the Education Action Committee meeting, where she learned of the work already underway to further sustainability goals within the educational system throughout the region. She believes there are good opportunities for M CCS representative to network within this group, and that it would be especially valuable to have one of us on the "Dream Team", as this appears to be the ideas-generating group, and the place that Muddy Creek can offer our experience, as a school already engaged in these ideas *and* in partnering with the local agricultural community. She expressed her belief that she is not the right representative from M CCS. Kathy Brewer volunteered to take this role on, at least until Anita returns, if Anita would like to be involved, especially given the whole EWERC project. **AI:** **Tanya** to email Anne to see about getting Kathy onto the Dream Team.

Enrollment Waiver: Discussed time frame represented by waiver - aggregate or annual?? Need clarification on this to write waiver correctly. **AI:** _____ Need to define what is meant by "founder". Worked through Anita's clarifying letter and made changes. Motion made (Payton) to accept this letter, as modified in meeting 2/5/09, to send to ODE requesting a waiver for founders' children and staff's children, second (Christine); passed fists of fours. **AI:** **Kathleen** rewrite, with changes as made in meeting, send around for final approval.

Procedure for Recess Duty Training - Playground Rules: Read through, discussed playground rules policy. Motion made (Payton), second, (Morning) to approve Procedure for Recess Duty Training - Playground Rules, as modified in meeting, 2/5/09; passed fists of fours and fives.

RACI(D): Worked for next hour plus on RACI(D) chart. **AI:** Jen has line items to add - will send to Tanya, **AI:** Tanya will send around updated RACI(D) with new items in a separate list, to be interwoven with existing list after they have been completed.

Calendar:

- Footwise window display 2/3 - 16
- Open House Saturday, 2/21, 11 - 2
- Curriculum Night for prospective families 3/5
- GT - Spring Education run. **AI:** **Kathleen** get info, also put an FYI in paper about open house.
- Grange meeting 2/14 10:00 am breakfast
- Next meetings: Regular ICP Board meeting 2/19
- Strategic planning meeting in Spring with Mark and Lou - need to schedule.

Adjourn 11:25pm

Minutes submitted by Kathleen Westly