NEIGHBORHOOD CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING APRIL 12, 2006

Members Present:

Kathy Andrews; Randy Brookins; Cindy Cahalen; Peter Ernst; Leslie Grant; Lesa Hope; Paula Jessup; Heidi Lance; Michelle Leader; John Newcomb; Kevin Perry; William Perry; Jackie Rosswurm; Katy Seib; Guy Seymour; Stephanie Turner

Guests Present: Margaret Jones

Lesa called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Katy and Kathy motion to approve the minutes. All approved.

Kevin and Paula motion to approve the agenda. All approved.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Margaret Jones, our Curriculum Secialist, presented an update on all the professional development work with the staff. Here are just a few of the highlights. There were two professional curriculum meetings before the staff retreat with the 10 new aides and 3 new teachers to orient them to our teaching philosophy.

Staff retreat was held at the end of July for community and team building. In the teacher institute they had new reading assessment and learned the cursive writing without tears method. They discussed student portfolios and developed a task force to implement these for the students. They also looked at the math program, Investigations, and created another task force for spelling.

We have had several student teachers here and that has been a positive experience.

Kevin Perry discussed the nominating process and on May 4th at the PTCA meeting the slate for the Governing Board of upcoming school year will be voted on.

Principal/ Executive Director's Report

Jackie presented her report.

Kathy and Katy made motion to approve the three additional instructional aides so there are full time instructional aides for all grade levels. All approved.

Katy distributed Jackie's evaluations to the Board . They are to be completed and returned to Lesa within two weeks.

Parent & Family Involvement

Leslie presented the family participation review and this plan was discussed.

New Business

Guy and Kevin made a motion that if there are letters of concern, authorize the Board chair to start the investigations (where there is no conflict of interest) for this current school year. All approved

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Kevin and Katy motion to move into executive session. Leslie and Paula motion to move out of executive session.

Kathy and Cindy made motion to approve the slate of candidates for staff positions and to accept the resignation of Sonya Walker at the end of the school year. All approved.

Kathy and Kevin made motion to adjourn at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Paula Jessup, Recorder