

Educating Hearts and Minds

The mission of Anansi Charter School is to develop the academic potential and emotional intelligence of each learner. We strive to promote the love of learning through student engagement, innovative educational practices and family and community partnerships.

Anansi Charter School Governing Council (AGC)

Minutes- February 9, 2016

Location- Anansi Charter School

I. CALL TO ORDER of the Regular Open Governing Council Meeting

Attendance: "X" indicates present at meeting

President: Dan Greenwald [2010], Vice President: Melissa McNulty,

Secretary: Dawn Kittner [2012], Treasurer: Lisa Bushnell [2015]

Members: Cipry Jaramillo [2011], Romy Colonius [2014], Daniel Peralta [20?],

Director: Michele Hunt

Business Manager: Domingo Sanchez

Public Attendance:

Call to Order at: 1750

II. Approvals

Agenda/Minutes

Amendments:

To Agenda: 1) Addition to New Business: Discussion Middle School Policy regarding content of Sexual Education 2) Move Action Items: Bylaws and Executive Session between Financial report and Council Committee Reports

To Minutes: none

MOTION: I, Romy Colonius, move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the 1) AGENDA for this meeting February 9, 2016; noting amendments above and 2) MINUTES of the regular meeting January 12, 2016 recognizing the noted amendments as stated above.

Seconded by Melissa McNulty All Approved

III. Public Recognition and Comment(s):

a. Student Government: Hosting community service project clothing and book drive and school logo

b. Public: none

IV. Reports

a. **Financial Report-** Presented by Domingo Sanchez

i. Budget Review: reviewed and in good standing

ii. Budget Adjustment Requests: [Action]: 30, 31, 32, 33, & 34

MOTION: I, Dan Greenwald, move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve BARs#: 30-34

Seconded by Cipry Jaramillo All approved

- iii. Audit Committee: Audit has not been released.
- b. **Director's Report** presented by Michele Hunt [written report submitted]
 - i. Staff Position opening for next year
 - ii. Continued Professional Development Targets
 - iii. Science Fair Awards for 6th & 7th grade students
 - iv. County Bee Spelling Champion Commendation
- c. **Council Committee Reports**
 - i. Finance and Audit [Established meeting time __] Melissa McNulty, Lisa Bushnell and Daniel Greenwald. Report presented by Dan Greenwald. See budget Committee

 - ii. Facility and Program [Established meeting time ____]: Daniel Greenwald, Daniel Peralta and Melissa McNulty. Presented by Dan Greenwald Bid items checked off from Alex Henri, Warranty issues being addressed: roof icing up , apply heat tape and drain to prevent leaking, Alex Henri suggest Electrical engineer to solve draining issues. Skylights coming along, security contracts, walkway either flagstone or cement, expansion joint: being addressed

 - iii. Council Development [Established meeting time ____]: Romy Colonius, Cipry Jaramillo and Lisa Bushnell. Bylaws addressed

 - iv. School Advocacy [Established meeting time _____]: Dan Greenwald, Cipry Jaramillo and Dawn Kittner. Covered in budget review and new business

 - v. Parent Advisory (FAC) [Established meeting time _____]: Romy Colonius. Report presented by Romy Colonius. Make up bus. Secret dinner 24 participants, truffles still to be assembled

 - vi. Web Coordinator [Established meeting time __TBD__]: Dawn Kittner. Report presented by Dawn Kittner.

V. New Business

- a. Budget Committees Updates: presented by Dan Greenwald, first meeting held 2/9/16

- i. Wants/Needs: 8th grade teacher, IEP coordinator-(STARS perhaps) /special ed dept need more teaching time, life skills coach, councilor, human resource and finance assistant as full time, expand robotics
- ii. Funding concern: may lose small school funding. Losing no funding first year, next year \$10,000 then 20,000, next 30,000, then 40,000. Passed senate already and in House, Governor may veto but may not with strong passes. May at time may need to reach 198 cap of students to make up. Pay increase for entry level teachers. Funding formula will be out in spring. Looked at last years funding to start to establish priorities may need to start to speak with Friends for funding from donor- for facilities, materials, textbooks, etc.
- b. Calendar Committee Updates: presented by Michele Hunt district start to meet.
- c. Legislative Session Updates
 - i. Attack on Funding: budget committee
- d. Begin review of 2016/2017 Budget: see above
- e. Commitment Forms: presented by Dan Greenwald, signed by committee members
- f. [Amended discussed after financial report] bylaws (action):

Romy Colonius submitted written recommendations for each Section and article:

MOTION: I, Melissa Mc Nulty , move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the revisions to the Anansi Charter School Bylaws as submitted by Romy Colonius.

Seconded by DanGreenwald All approved

Will be placed in Bylaws

- g. [Discussion] Governance Council Recruitment Strategies to build diversity in council: Rotary, Lions, Kwanis Club, Taos Community foundation, community involvement for committee, go to meetings
- h. AMENDED: [Discussion] Middle School Policy regarding content of Sexual Education: Have community involvement in health education and offer alternative health education for parents who choose not to participate., reviewed adopted draft of policy

VI. Old Business

- a. Lottery In Process: posted and in progress

VII. Executive Session- [Limited to Personnel matters, Student discipline, Director]*

Amended: Discussed after New Business Item Bylaws

- a. Yes

To Close: MOTION: I move that the Anansi Governing Council convene in closed session as authorized by the limited _to Personnel matter__ exception of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act relating to __personnel matter __.

Seconded by Cipry Jaramillo All Approved

To Open: Opening session: Upon reconvening into Open Session, the Council Chair shall state that, "Let the minutes reflect that 'The only matter discussed during the Closed Session was the limited __personnel matter__ specified in the motion for Closed Session.'"

MOTION: I, Dawn Kittner, move that the Anansi Governing Council approve that statement that the only matter discussed in Closed Session was that of __a personnel matter__

Seconded by Lisa Bushnell All approved

VIII. Items for next month's agenda

- a. Director's Evaluation
- b. Taos Municipal School Board at Anansi, need to provide dinner

IX. Roles and Responsibilities

- a. Refreshments for [Changed meeting time] March 01, 2016 meeting at UNM –

Taos, 115 Civic Plaza Dr. Small Business Association meeting room: Dan Greenwald

- b. Dan Greenwald: Staff evaluation of director form, agenda, summary from budget committee, mentor Melissa McNulty, bring snacks,

- c. Melissa McNulty: meet with Dan for agenda, March 2nd GC training, March 8th Budget Meeting

- d. Dawn Kittner: Follow up with Michele Hunt for Website

- e. Lisa Bushnell: March 8th Budget Meeting

- f. Cipry Jaramillo: Look at policy for sexual health education

- g. Dan Peralta:

- h. Michele Hunt: none

X. Final Comments and Announcements:

- a. Change March 8th meeting to March 1st as the Taos Municipal Schools meeting is being held at Anansi on March 8th.

XI. Adjournment: *MOTION:* I, Cipry Jaramillo __, move that the Anansi Governance Council adjourn. 2017 *Seconded by Lisa Bushnell All approved*

Adjourned at: ✓ *[Signature]*

*Closing an Open meeting- THE LAW: if any meeting is closed pursuant to the exclusions contained in Subsection H of the section, the closure: 1) if made in an open meeting shall be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of the policy making body; 2) the authority for the closure and the subject to be discussed shall be stated with reasonable specificity in the motion

calling for the vote in an open meeting; 3) the vote shall be taken in an open meeting; and 4) the vote of each individual member shall be recorded in the minutes. Only those subjects announced or voted upon prior to the closure by the policymaking body may be discussed in a closed meeting.

To Close: MOTION: I move that the Anansi Governing Council convene in closed session as authorized by the limited _____ exception of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act relating to _____.

Opening session: Upon reconvening into Open Session, the Council Chair shall state that, "Let the minutes reflect that 'The only matter discussed during the Closed Session was the limited _____ specified in the motion for Closed Session.'"

MOTION: I move that the Anansi Governing Council approve that statement that the only matter discussed in Closed Session was that of _____

Any ACTION regarding any items discussed in Closed Session needs to be motioned in open session

MOTION: I, _____, move that the Governing Council approve...

President:  Date 3/11/16

Secretary:  Date 3/11/16

