

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
Minutes- May 16, 2017
Location- Anansi Charter School Library

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

Attendance: "X" indicates present at meeting

Officers: X President: Melissa McNulty [2014], X Vice President: Andy Jones [2016] X

Treasurer: Roxanne Rane [2016], X Secretary: Dawn Kittner [2012]

Members: X Lisa Bushnell [2015], X Sagen Asplund [2016]

Director: X Michele Hunt

Business Manager: X Mike Vigil, Vigil Group Representative via phone for Budget Report

Public Attendance: (Teacher for Leadership), none, Leigh Truvino and Marco Schmidt

I. Call to Order at: 1745

II. Approvals [Agenda/Minutes]

a. Agenda: May 16, 2017

b. Minutes: April 18, 2017

Amendments:

a. To Agenda: none

b. To Minutes: none

MOTION: I, Melissa Mc Nulty, move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the 1) AGENDA for this meeting on May 16, 2017; noting amendments above and 2) MINUTES of the regular meeting on April 18, 2017, recognizing the noted amendments as stated above.

Seconded by Dawn Kittner X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

III. Public Recognition and Comment(s):

a. Public: [Introduction and Comments] Marco Schmidt interest in governance council, past educator in high school and middle schools, ACS model of interest as charter school, background and business. Leigh Truvino invested with three children to support school.

IV. Reports [Highlights, Questions, Comments]

a. Leadership Team: No report

i. K-2nd:

ii. 3rd-5th:

iii. 6th-8th:

iv. Enhancement:

v. Additional:

b. Financial Report Presented by Mike Vigil via phone

i. Budget Review: quick overview, post pone to Budget meeting to May 23rd 5:30

- ii. BARS: Budget Adjustment Requests (action) BAR# None
- iii. Budget Conference: none

- iv. Audit Committee: Melissa McNulty, Dawn Kittner, Roxanne Rane: no report

- v. Finance/Budget Committee: Melissa McNulty, Roxanne Rane: Budget reviewed. Budget meeting May 23, 2017

- c. Director's Report presented by Michele Hunt (verbal report/written report)
 - i. Lottery Results: complete

 - ii. Program Changes for FY18: -1) Spanish program meets criteria of a heritage language program, five hours week, rename to Spanish Language Heritage program- 2) review and address middle school issues to strengthen the students overall- 3) bring dance into winter program

 - iii. Summary Re-Cap from Amazing Brain Presentation: Friends of Anansi sponsored. Went well overall met grade level needs.

 - iv. Staffing plan for FY18: one position open, two applicants to date for interview, Kindergarten educational assistant. Special education position filled and Occupational Therapist will be open. Federal funds given up front this year, Title I money awarded.

- d. Council Committee Reports
 - i. Facility: Sagen Asplund written and verbal - no report, meeting May 25th
 - ii. Program: Melissa McNulty- no report
 - iii. Council Development: Roxanne Rane, Lisa Bushnell, Melissa McNulty [policy] Melissa McNulty- cannot recover Rommy Colonius Dropbox.
 Roxanne Rane: Social Services Program Development: 1) follow up another step for expulsion before a student would be transferred to Rocky Mtn Youth Program, alternative to explosion program, would like input from leadership and director teams. 2)Resource board for parents: Roxanne did more research would like to speak with leadership team for specific areas 3) middle school student awareness for health services; posters in areas, El Centro for services

- iv. School Advocacy: Roxanne Rane, Andy Jones –no report, PED changes for continuing education requirements discussed. School Advocacy to develop letter
- v. Parent Advisory (FAC): Melissa McNulty –Friends of Anansi meeting is on May 18, 2017
- vi. Web Coordinator: Andy Jones – defer to Michele Hunt

V. New Business

- a. GC Evaluation Survey: using Google forms with old survey complete by June 1st
- b. Plan Date for Special Budget Approval Meeting: May 23rd at 5:30 at Anansi Charter School Library
- c. Board Recruitment: seeking 2 members for 2017-2018 year
- d. 2017-2018 Enrollment Status: 194 students enrolled, a couple of students may not return but there 2 students on waiting list.
- e. Calendar (action): Governance Council meetings third Wednesday of the month.

MOTION: I, Melissa McNulty , move that the 1) Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the Anansi Charter School 2017-2018 school calendar with the amendment of Governance Council meeting days to the third Wednesday of the month 2) change June governance council meeting to June 12th at 0830 at TBD.

Seconded by Andy Jones X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

- f. TMS MOU's for Approval (action) Bus service, Tienet, and Power school

MOTION: I, Roxanne Rane , move that the 1) Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the memorandum of understanding with Taos Municipal School for bus service, TieNet, and Power School

Seconded by Lisa Bushnell X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

- g. Governance Council Proposed Changes to Requirements (discussion)- 5 hours annually sufficient, 2 hours prior to voting for new members could shut down school if there are new schools or large turnover of board, C, D and F schools perhaps need to have more training regardless of whether charter or not. School Advocacy develop a letter for points to present at May 23rd meeting.

- h. Approval of Calendar for the 2017-2018 school year: see Calendar

VI. Old Business

- a. None

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

- a. Director evaluation

To Close: MOTION: I Dawn Kittner move that the Anansi Governing Council convene in closed session as authorized by the limited Director exception of the New Mexico Open Meetings Act relating to Director evaluation . Seconded by Sagen Asplund X
All approved

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 director evaluation specified in the motion for Closed Session.'"

VIII. Items for next month's agenda

- a. August Potluck Discussion

- b. Board Evaluation

- c. Publish Accomplishments and Election Process in Newsletter

- d. Contractors approval

IX. Roles and Responsibilities

- a. Refreshments for June 12th at 0830 TBD
- b. Melissa McNulty: agenda 5/23 and 6/12, meet with Roxanne and Michele for evaluation, write up for evaluation, collect responses for gc evaluation due 6/1
- c. Andy Jones: Roxanne meeting for GC training requirements, eval for GC
- d. Roxanne Rane: meeting with Andy for Training, meeting with Melissa for Director eval,
- e. Dawn Kittner: publish announcement for 5/23 and 6/12th
- f. Lisa Bushnell: -email evaluation for GC, budget meet, letter of resignation at June 12th meeting
- g. Sagen Asplund: eval GC, training for CE, budget meeting
- h. Michele Hunt:

X. Final Comments and Announcements: none

XI. Adjournment: MOTION: I, Dawn Kittner , move that the Anansi Governance Council adjourn.

Seconded by Andy Jones All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

- a. Adjourned at: 2058

XII. *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.


XIII. 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 _____.


XIV. 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."

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

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

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

XVIII. President:  Date 5/23/17

XIX. Secretary:  Date 5/23/17 *see amendments*

