

Governance Board Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2012

Location: Ripon Middle School

Attendees: Sandy Wisneski
Jack Christ
Adam Mielke
Tom Hoh
Tim Scottberg
Jean Rigden (arrived at 5:50 pm)
Steven DeMay
Absent: Candie Baker

- I. Call to order
Adam called the meeting to order at 4:37 pm
- a. Affirmation of open session
- II. Review and approval of minutes of February 28 and March 6 (both submitted in advance).
- III. Community Input. Nothing here.
- IV. Administrator's report. Tom says that things are going OK.
- V. Committee reports. Things are going swimmingly in this area.
- VI. Old Business and Discussion Items.
 - a. Tom related that the school board will not allow section size caps to be smaller than normal non-charter-school caps. He thinks we will be OK in this regard for this year and any problems that crop up for next year can be aptly addressed.
 - b. The implementation grant application is proceeding apace.
 - c. Conflicts of interest: none at present. We will explore a formal process to declare potential conflicts within the board.
 - d. The board expressed interest in arranging a training session on teaching and facilitating collaborative leadership in partnership with the Wisconsin Leadership Institute (WLI). (Speaking of conflicts of interest, Adam is on the WLI board of directors and Jack is the executive director.)
 - e. The National Charter School conference will be held in Minneapolis June 19-22. Several Catalyst representatives will attend.
 - f. We decided not to send representatives to a governance board training session in Sparta on May 23.
 - g. We reviewed and approved Articles IX and X of the Catalyst bylaws.
 - h. We unanimously approved the whole set of Catalyst Charter School bylaws. Shouts of "huzzah" echoed through the corridors.
 - i. Jean brought up the issue of "flipped classrooms" in the implementation grant. That phrasing will be tweaked.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm.