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Governance Board Minutes

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 5:00 pm
Location: Catalyst Middle School Conference Room
Attendance: Candi Baker, Sarah Rieder, Rick Bunge, Carlie Cardinal, Bryan Ernst,

5:00 pm Call to order: Affirmation of open session in accordance with WI Statute 19.84.

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm

5:05 pm Approval of minutes from previous meeting (August 12, 2018) No meeting was held in September.

Approved: Motion-Brian; Second-Carlie

5:10 pm Community input

None

5:15 pm Administrator's report

Rick reported that the State Report Card will be released in November.

5:20 pm Lead Teacher's report

Per Carlie the changes to staff and classes has been going well so far. It has been an adjustment to make sure things run smoothly but it has been going well. The changes have allowed the Catalyst students to be taught by more than 2 teachers which is helping to prepare them for High School.

Students are starting their 2nd round of individual projects. The teachers have noticed more variety and student engagement with the projects.

Catalyst students have 2 upcoming field trips this month: UW-Madison and the Fox Cities PAC. Carlie will send out an email reminder to parents.

5:25 pm Old business & discussion items

1. Diverse Options Trips - Drivers?

Teachers are OK with having students do the trips again this year to Diverse Options. It is a great opportunity for students and is very close and easy to get to. Last year there were a total of 3 visits - 1 per grade. Brian will contact Diverse Options this month to arrange date for future visits. Rick suggested doing 3 visits per semester so that each grade would send students twice per school year. There will be 10-12 students per visit and the students will be picked based on their interest and those that are caught up on all work. Two drivers will be needed per visit and the drivers will use school vans. Rick will be available to drive 1 van and will need a parent volunteer for the



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other. For safety reasons one adult will need to stay with the students at Diverse Options during the visit. If the field trips can be scheduled on Fridays, Josh Rieder should be available to drive. Teachers can also put out a parent sign-up at Showcase Night.

5:45 pm New business

1. Welcome Carlie Cardinal to the governance board - replacing Sandy Wisneski

Welcome Carlie!

5:50 pm Evaluation of meeting

Good

5:55 pm Adjourn

Adjourn at 5:13 (Motion- Carlie; Second- Sarah)