

## Governance Board Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2014

Location: Catalyst Charter Middle School  
Conference Room

Attendees: Sandy Wisneski  
Candie Baker  
Tom Hoh  
Amy Pollesch  
Jack Christ

Absent: Jean Rigden  
Adam Mielke  
Tim Scottberg

I. Call to order

Jack called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm  
a. Affirmation of open session

II. Review and approval of minutes of April 8, 2014 (submitting in advance)

Minutes were approved as submitted.

III. Community Input

None to report.

IV. Administrator's report

- A. FAY – Full Academic Year- the state only counts the test scores of students in a given school who attend that school an entire school year – from test date to the test date the following year. Therefore the test scores of students who transferred from RMS to Catalyst Charter Middle School last year are not included in Catalyst's public data release.
- B. Specials Report – Tom created a report for the board that outlines what specials are being offered and when. He also shared the number of students who choose a given specials class throughout the last school year.

V. Committee reports

Policy and Planning – Surveyed parents and used parent input to schedule the showcase night. Sandy is going to space camp this summer.

Community Relations- No committee business to report.

Sustainability- Has grant proposals out but no results yet. The committee discussed sponsorships either in kind donations or monetary.

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Catalyst Middle School is devoted to building a community of independent learners through thinking, creating, and collaborating for the future.

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## VI. Old Business and Discussion Items

- A. Review of input from Julie Feidt and Nate Hinze regarding physical education elective classes at April 8 meeting. The board decided to let Tom and the lead teachers develop the specials program for the year to present to parents and students ahead of time. The board did not feel mandating students' choices for specials classes follows the school's vision of voice and choice for students.

## VII. Action Items

- A. Review and approval of bylaws submitted by Jack Christ in advance. Changes listed below:

Article III Section 2 approved change to "The Catalyst Charter Middle School Governance Board shall be comprised of seven (7) members..."

Article IV Section 5 Letter D added "In the absence of the President and the Vice President, the Treasurer will preside at meetings."

Article V Section 1 approved change to "An annual meeting of the Governance Board for the election of Board Members and Officers and such other business as may come before the meeting shall be held the second Tuesday in June of each year."

Jack will be completing all updates as approved to the by-laws and then submit the final copy to Sandy to update the by-laws on Google Docs.

## VIII. New Business

- A. Discussion of new board members for the coming year to be approved at the June meeting. We have one parent member who will join the board, and we still need one community member. Jean Rigden and Adam Mielke are both leaving the board.

## IX. Evaluation of Meeting

The meeting was effective.

## X. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at 4:30 pm. It is also our annual meeting.