STEM School
Board of Directors Meeting

January 16, 2018
5:30pm – 7:30pm
The SYNK
Middle School Main Hallway

8773 Ridgeline Blvd. | Highlands Ranch, CO | 80129

MINUTES

I. Call to Order
   i Roll Call
      • Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM
      • Directors present: Mark Alpert, Tracy Scroggins, Jeff Berg, Roy Martinez, Thomas Wendling, Nicole Smith, Adam Roderick
      • Directors absent: Rudy Lukez
      • Other attendees: Penny Eucker, Leanne Weyman, Karen Johnson, Cody Blackburn, SAC representative, roughly 10 parents, three students
   ii Pledge of Allegiance
      • Mark Alpert initiated.

II. Reciting of the Mission Statement
   • Tracy Scroggins recited the mission statement.

III. Review and approval of previous board meeting minutes
   • Roy Martinez motioned to approve
   • Tracy Scroggins seconded
   • All in attendance approved

IV. Executive Director’s report
   • Prior to the Executive Directors report a three-member student team presented results of a Simple Solutions project titled “The Tremendous Track” touting student wellness and an opportunity toward improved community relations with indicated initial costs of $40K to $60K and $5K annual maintenance costs. Mark Alpert suggested further investigation of the concept in conjunction with the facilities master plan.
      i Recent accomplishments and events
      ii Budget report
      iii Enrollment status and projections
      iv Financial status and projections

Never Stop Innovating
• See attached power point slides
• Roy Martinez inquired about the tour for the cyber security representatives. Discussion on possible networking opportunities including internships and/or apprenticeships ensued.

V. SAC update
• No significant updates since last SAC meeting in November.
• Next SAC meeting 1/18/18.

VI. STEM PTO update
• No report.

VII. Privacy and Protection of Confidential Student Information Policy
• Mark Alpert stressed the importance of policy.
• Roy Martinez motioned to approve the policy.
• Tom Wendling seconded.
• All in attendance approved.

VIII. Strategic Plan
• After Mark Alpert publicly presented the Three-Year Strategic Plan, the Board unanimously adopted the plan. The Board exuded enthusiasm and energy for the focus and direction established by the plan and committed to following a formal communication process to disseminate the plan, provide information on progress, and establish feedback channels.

IX. 2018-2019 Academic Calendar
• Tom Wendling motioned to approve the 2018-2019 Academic Calendar.
• Roy Martinez seconded.
• All in attendance approved.

X. Public comment
• A parent indicated satisfaction with children’s involvement in their own educational planning noting similarities with project management suggesting possibilities for increased interaction with industry and professional societies.

XI. Planning session
• The Board took no action to schedule a planning session prior to the February public meeting.

XII. Adjourn public session
• Roy Martinez motioned to adjourn public session and convene to executive session. Tracy Scroggins seconded. All in attendance approved.

XIII. Convene executive session
The Board may vote to recess into executive session pursuant to §24-6-402(3)(a)(II), C.R.S., to confer with the school attorney, in order to receive legal advice or concerning pending and/or imminent litigation and pursuant to §24-6-402(3)(a), C.R.S., and pursuant to §24-6-402(3)(b)I for personnel matters.
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Executive Director
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Celebrations- Cyberpatriots move on to next round on January 19

STEM BEST Robotics- big winner with $1,000 Award plus first in software design!

Thank you, Celina Perea!

December Volunteer of the Month – Celina Perea

Our volunteer of the month for December is Celine Perea, logging 125 hours with her donations. These donations are so helpful to our school and we couldn’t do all we do without them. Thanks Celine, you are appreciated!

Best Staff Holiday Party!
**PSAT NMSQT**

- PSAT NMSQT score reports have been released and sent home. **Congratulations to our STEM students, who scored in the 80th percentile** combined English, Reading, Writing, and Math compared to 64% at the district level and 63% at the state level. **We also had 15 students who scored in the 99th percentile!**

**Financial Dashboard**

- Days in Reserve: 107
- Emergency reserve: $395,000
- Personnel and benefits: 64%
- Facilities: 12%
- % of actual to budget: 18% below budget
Enrollment

- October Count- 1814
- Waitlist- over 1200
- Packet for waitlist by grade

Enrichment

- Four summer sessions planned including performing arts, robotics and creative design
- Several hundred students are enrolled in TSA and our best will compete at the state competition this month
- Many choices for afterschool programming K-12

Save the Date

- January 25- Middle School movie night
- January 31- Career Discovery for high school students
- February 3- Middle School Snowball dance
- February 20- Elementary Chinese New Year celebration
- May 18- Graduation

Best of luck to our spring semester competitive teams!