# OCS Board of Directors MINUTES

Thursday, August 27, 2009, 4:00 pm

The mission of Odyssey Charter School, working in partnership with the family and the community, is to help each child reach full potential in all areas of life. Our aim is to educate the whole child with the understanding that each person must achieve a balance of intellectual, emotional, physical, moral, and social skills as a foundation for life.

#### A. OPENING EXCERCISES

- Call to Order The meeting was called to order by Bob Williams
- Roll Call Those in attendance were Bob Williams, Andy Vega, Lee Feldman, Dr. Jane Martin, Constance Ortiz, Dr. Reggie Revis, Dr. Bill Orris, Cindy Gilmore
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Adoption of the Agenda Bob Williams motioned to adopt the agenda. Lee Feldman seconded the motion. The agenda was adopted.

# B. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION/AWARDS

Welcome: Fernando Zulueta, President, Academica

## C. PUBLIC PRESENTATION(S)

#### D. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Principal's Report
  - STEM Dr. Revis presented new programs to Odyssey. OCS now offers the OASIS program to our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. This program allows academically selected students to earn 5 high school credits by the end of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. The HUNCH program allows students to work in partnership with NASA to perform science experiments in space. We have been selected to offer the HUNCH program. OCS is the only school in Florida to offer both programs.
  - Partnership with Patriot Dr. Revis informed the Board that we will be presenting an Articulation agreement for approval at the next meeting that will allow our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students placement preference to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade program at Palm Bay Municipal Charter School. Both administrations feel the OASIS program and the PBCS 9<sup>th</sup> grade program will compliment each other. Dr. Revis also added that he will be visiting PBCS a couple of days a week to assist with observing the K-5 classes. Both administrations feel that this would help to form a good foundation for these grades.
  - Amendment to Charter Dr. Revis presented a request to amend our enrollment cap from 550 students to 650.
- 2. Assistant Principal's Report
  - SIP Plan Dr. Orris presented the Title I SIP Plan to the Board.
  - Excess Funds Dr. Orris asked the Board to consider looking at investment vehicles to protect Odyssey's excess funds.
- 3. Wellness Policy Update Dr. Jane Martin and Debra Chapman Dr. Martin and Debra Chapman updated the Board on the Wellness Policy. Last year we opened the Healthy Café, formed a working committee and wellness policy, applied for 7-10 grants and received 1, brought in the Farm to School program food into the Café, and K-2 curriculum. This year we hope to accomplish funding for our gardens and nature area from grants, support the parent nutrition education, field trips to the organic farm, café improvements such as murals and more serving lines.

- E. CONSENT AGENDA. (Items below can be approved in one motion.) Lee Feldman motioned to approve Consent Agenda items 1-12. Andy Vega seconded the motion. The Consent Agenda was approved.
  - 1. Approval of July 15, 2009 Board Minutes
  - 2. Approval of August 6, 2009 Board Minutes
  - 3. Approval of Changes to Academica Management Agreement
  - 4. Approval of Capital Outlay Play for FY 2010
  - 5. Approval of Fourth Quarter Financial Report
  - 6. Approval of New and Returning Teacher Employment Agreements
  - 7. Approval of 2009-2010 Board Meeting Calendar
  - 8. Approval of 2009-2010 Employee Calendar
  - 9. Approval of Title I SIP Plan
  - 10. Approval of Updated Employee Handbook
  - 11. Approval of Out-of-County Field Trip
  - 12. Approval of ESOL Out-of-Field Teachers (Kathryn Archibald, Valarie Gonzalez, Stephanie Williams, Nathalie Arribas, and Sherry Love)

# F. NON-CONSENT AGENDA (Items to be discussed)

1. ADP Payroll and Benefits – Lee Feldman made a motion to go forward with OCS to enter into an agreement with ADP. Andy Vega seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

# G. BOARD PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS' REPORT

Next meeting: Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 4 pm

Audit Committee Meeting - Thursday, September 24th, at 3 pm

Budget Update

Articulation Agreement

## H. ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED SEP 2 9 2009

Date Approved

**Board President** 

Board Secretary