

Nevada City School of the Arts  
Charter Governance Council Meeting  
Minutes  
Friday, March 20, 2009  
1:30pm, Nevada City School of the Arts

1 Call to Order:

2 Roll Call: Present: Jody Deaderick, Janice Bedayn, Katrina Thompson, Shari Wilson, Doug Gaylord, Becky Noto, Mary Peterson, Linda Toll, Kate Fingerson, Holly Pettitt

Guests: Dave Gordon, Sarah Gordon, Cathy Harmon, Sara Keller, Elizabeth Magallon-Fleury

3 Public Forum: Members of the public are invited to address the Governance Council regarding issues for future agendas. Comments to be limited to 3 minutes. No public forum

4 Plaudits lots of compliments for AMOT and all the people who volunteered, great food and drink, lots of fun.

Staff for handling the loss of the staff room with beauty and grace. Dave and Sarah and for helping with pie day Holly for taking the pie in the face. To the parents and SAEF for the Wild Things assembly. To Jody for her magic scheduling. To all parents who stepped up for piano lab in the first few minutes of the live auction. For Gary for the teacher who makes a difference award.

Action Items

5 Approve Agenda

Motion: Doug Gaylord 2<sup>nd</sup>: Janice Bedayn

Yes: 7 Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

Presentation 1:45

6 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, Team Presentation 1 hour  
See Self Reflections

Action Items

7 Approve March 6, 2009, CGC minutes

Motion: Mary Peterson 2<sup>nd</sup>: Janice Bedayn

Ayes: 9 Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

8 Approve 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Budget 2008-2009

Motion: Janice Bedayn 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kate Fingerson

Ayes: 9 Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

9 Approve Director's Evaluation Survey

Motion: None 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Ayes: Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

Holly wants Becky and Mary to go through Holly's last year's staff survey of the Director and make suggestions for turning it into a parent survey of the Director. Will also email it to other members so they can offer suggestions. No approval necessary.

10 Adopt Complaint Procedures

Postponed until next meeting.

Motion: None 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Ayes: Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

11 Consent Agenda

Expenditures

March expenditures will be submitted for consent agenda approval in April due to a change in the County Charter Co-op's accounts payable reporting procedures. Monthly, rather than weekly, reports will be submitted thereafter.

Motion: None 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Ayes: Nos: 0 Abstentions: 0

## Discussion Items

### 12 SAEF/NCSA interface on field studies

- Field study scholarship policy
- Clarification of field study responsibilities
- Legal responsibility

Sarah Gordon, President of SAEF, wants to analyze the liability insurance of both SAEF and NCSA concerning Field Studies. Because the money for field studies runs through SAEF there is a concern that SAEF is liable if anything were to happen. She would also like the school and SAEF to clarify decision making process around funding field studies, scholarships, subsidization for kids who attend without paying and without asking for a scholarship, determining if a field study is too expensive etc.

Creating an internal "all school" budget which would include expenditures and revenues of both NCSA and SAEF is the first step to identifying what all of the issues are. After that is done (this spring) Holly would like to establish a Field Study Committee to consider all of the questions and offer proposals and solutions.

There is agreement that families should be billed for field studies that they have not paid for.

The goal is for families to be informed of field study costs at the beginning of the year with a schedule of when the money is due.

Sarah needs to insure that Cindy is pulling out the administrative costs for SAEF that are built into the field study costs.

### 13 Facilities update and discussion

Fred Stoenner will be coming to next CGC meeting to give a presentation on one approach to building a new school.

Everyone was in agreement that other presentations and proposals must also be considered. Kate's dad has an interest in reviewing proposals as he built schools for a profession (He did the Union Hill remodel).

## Reports 4:00

### 14 Administrator Holly Pettitt

### 15 Faculty Linda Toll and Kate Fingerson

The Faculty appreciates getting free tickets to A Matter Of Taste

### 16 Arts Coordinator Jody Deaderick

Balinese musical group is available for an assembly, Jody would like to try to finance it through the school and SAEF. She will contact appropriate people to see if this can happen.

### 17 AMOT update

AMOT Committee felt really good about everything, and suspect that we will have made equal to what we made last year, which is great considering the economy.

### 18 Review To Do List

## Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

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Becky Noto, CGC Parent Representative

Approved by the NCSA Charter Council

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Janice Bedayn, President      Date