



## Board of Directors Meeting April 14, 2010

Present: Mr. Peroulas, Mr. Nixon, Dr. Stylianou, Mr. Couchell,

Also attending: Ms. Dellinger-Holton, Ms. Suzanne Fortune, Ms. Sue Mabon, Ms. Aphrodite Davis, Mr. Andy Harper, Ms. Daniese Ingram, Ms. Janna Tipton, Ms. Renee Hulsen, Mr. George Zogzas, Ms. Kiki Koutsokalis, Ms. Elaine Claiborne, Ms. Maria Diamantis, Ms. Gail McMillan, Ms. Stephanie Beard, Ms. Erica Ayers, Ms. Athanasia Smith, Mr. Jim Parrish, Ms. Julie Schottland, Ms. Christine Meiss, Mr. Brian Tipton, Ms. Susan Sterreth, Mr. George Scott

1. Mr. Peroulas called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
2. One minute of silence in memory of SA benefactor Mr. Nicholas Goudes
3. Public Forum (15 minutes, maximum 5 speakers)
  - a. Ms. Elaine Claiborne representing 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents addressed concerns in regard to adding Chinese to the curriculum.
  - b. Ms. Athanasia Smith addressed concerns about the time loss for core subjects by adding Chinese.
  - c. Aphrodite Davis questioned the process of the public forum. How will parents know the outcome of the items presented?
    1. Mr. Peroulas and Dr. Stylianou stated that the response, if any, will be put in either the newsletter, an email, or the respective party will be contacted personally.
4. Consent Items (Consent agenda items may be considered in one motion except those approved by a board member.)
  - a. Approval of Minutes of the last BOD meeting
  - b. Decision Not to Proceed with Membership to NC Alliance for Charter Schools
  - c. Approval of Budget Modifications
  - d. Approval of Invest in a Child was omitted from the consent item list and added as New Business.
    1. Motion to approve (Stylianou/Nixon) Motion passed unanimously
5. Athletic Committee Report: Presentation by Susan Sterrett, Brian Tipton, and Jim Parrish

- a. Mr. Tipton spoke on behalf of the committee. They recommend the flooring be changed to attract outside rental opportunities and for durability.
  1. Mr. Peroulas stated the BOD was unaware that the flooring was unacceptable. Mrs. D-H and Ms. Hulsen stated that elementary schools in our area have the same tile flooring. The board agreed to leave the current floor and possibly consider an upgraded floor when a Middle School Building is under construction.
- b. It was suggested that a Booster Club would help offset the expenses involved with an athletic program.
- c. The committee recommended we hire an Athletic Director in August.

## 6. Principal's Report

- a. New Teachers' Interviews: April 12-16, 2010. Meeting with Executive Committee for Staffing for 2010-2011 Week of April 26
  1. Mr. Peroulas stated that the board did not approve of the interview freeze for non-teaching staff. Ms. D-H and Ms. Fortune asked for clarification on the hiring process and will define the process in the future with the BOD.
- b. SOPA Parents' Meeting: Tuesday, May 4, 2010 at 7 pm Location to be announced
- c. Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) to be given April 19-22, 2010
- d. Spirit Week: April 26-30, 2010 Monday: Music Day: Dress as your favorite musician, song, composer or dance costume Tuesday: TEAM Day: Select your favorite team, college team, high school, sport team Wednesday: Hat and Jeans Day: Pay \$1 and wear your favorite hat and/or jeans Thursday: Socrates Green Day: Wear your Socrates Green, logoed shirt and khakis Friday: Greek Workers' Day/Field Day: Spirit Shirts and shorts
- e. Socrates Academy Student Government Speeches for Executive Council: April 29 at 9 am with an assembly for third, fourth, and fifth graders

## 7. Before and After School Report

- a. Ms. Hulsen presented a drawing for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade T-Shirt.
  1. Mr. Peroulas stated that the shirt did not have a logo, appropriate colors or school location.
  2. Ms. Hulsen suggested that Ms. Breckenridge could submit a new design.
- b. Summer Camp Ads are in Charlotte Parent (available at all CMS schools, went home with each CMS child), Charlotte Observer (Free Ad) Charlotte Weekly Summer Camp Edition
- c. Registration forms will be distributed to our families in the Thursday folder this week and will be distributed in area mail tubes.
- d. Response thus far for Camp:

### **Kindergarten Readiness:**

First Week---4 students

Second Week----11

**Greek Culture:**

First Week....2

Second Week.....4

**Cheer:**

0

**Basketball:**

0

**Pirate Camp:**

14

**Music Camp:**

0

8. Old/New Business

a. Invest in a Child was presented by Ms. Janna Tipton.

1. Dr. Stylianou asked for clarification for the time issue. Ms. Tipton explained other fundraising opportunities were put on hold.

1. Motion to approve (Couchell/Nixon) Motion passed unanimously

b. Ms. Diamantis asked if the 5<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Greece would be cancelled in light of the current economic situation in Greece.

1. Mr. Couchell explained that he did not have additional information at this time but suggested a parent meeting within the next few weeks.

Motion to adjourn and go into closed session at 9:00 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Suzanne Fortune