



DUAL IMMERSION ACADEMY

DIA Board Meeting, April 14, 2020

Began at: 6:02 pm

Attendance: Gabriela Benitez, Danielle LeCourt, Mac Newbold, Lidia Powell

Absent: Rich Stowell

DIA Staff: Angela Fanjul, Rocio G. Fuentes

Red Apple: Nate Adams

Financial Report

Nate Adams from Red Apple

Budget Report

Current state and changes in the budget, and understanding of funding during to closure:

- CSI funds are now included in the budget.
- Federal funds will be impacted in our lunch program but will break even at the end since there will be no new purchases.
- There will be a drop in expenses for substitute teachers and maintenance.
- Hourly employees will continue working on projects.

The Governor of Utah announced that schools will remain closed till the end of the school year.

Follow up on \$18K building funds

This is a project fund to take care of needs at our school. We decided to order sod for the school's yard, which cost \$5,000 and school repairs at a cost of \$10,000.

Angela and Nate will be working on next year's budget in the next couple of months. The Utah legislative session will be hold a special session and they said there would be a 6% increase.

Administrative Report

Director's Report

Overview on current educational delivery system – innovations and challenges

DIA's teaching staff has been involved in on-line teaching and learning with their students through half an hour Zoom video. They include different activities with the students and currently we have 76% participation. We provided Chromebooks and internet access to over 70% of parents, and continue to work with the remaining 30% to ensure everyone has access to our online education program.

Teachers are adjusting to online teaching and we hold faculty and peer professional meetings to address the challenges and look for ways and ideas to improve. We have a great team of teachers who have been very supporting and showing great attitude.

It was recommended that teachers keep the same Zoom ID and switching hosts to make it easier for parents, especially those who have more than one DIA student at home. In addition, parents have a hard time finding posts in Class Dojo when there are so many. Overall, online teaching is going well.

The board voiced their interest in showing appreciation for teaching staff's great efforts by holding a barbeque for them when safe to do so. DIA will get T-shirts for teachers, toilet paper and treats.

Discussion regarding the need to have a plan in place in case teaching staff or their families become ill with COVID-19. Angela indicated they have discussed the issue and will be working on creating such a plan.

Enrollment update

We have 418 children currently registered and enrolled for the next school year. We still need more Kindergarten, 1st grade and 2nd grade students. We are working with a parent who is in news media to help us with video articles in the Deseret News.

Closed Session

Closed meeting under UT 52-4-205 (as needed)

Re-open the meeting for board vote (as needed)

Board Business

Board Brief

Nothing to report

Research/Topics Danielle LeCourt

None to report

Candidates for Board Membership

Invitation to all board members to let Gabriela, board president know of any potential board members with whom she can meet virtually.

Approval of minutes: March 10, 2020

(Correction to today's agenda: March 10, 2020 approval instead of February 11, 2020)

Motion by: Gabriela Benitez

Seconded by: Danielle LeCourt

Approved unanimously

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE A VIRTUAL MEETING.

Concluded meeting at 7:08 pm

Next meeting: 6:00 pm Tuesday, May 12, 2020