

NDHS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes – January 30, 2013

Members Present:

Bob Alexander Michael Magruder Tina Cafiero Loomes Wheeler Ryan Adams Scott Pettengill – Faculty Representative Jacqueline Grimm

Karen Butler Miller – telephonically

Carmen Torres

The meeting called to order at 7:30 a.m. at the offices of Michael Magruder, 203 South Clyde Avenue, Kissimmee, Florida. The meeting was called to order by Bob Alexander. He welcomed all present and did the roll call.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – Motion was made to approve the October 31, 2012 minutes by Mike Magruder, seconded by Ryan Adams, and approved.

<u>Public Comments</u> – No public comments.

Special Presentation – None.

<u>Budget Adjustments</u> – Dr. Grimm explained the adjustments to the prior approved budget. NDHS received a credit of \$2,200.00 from the transportation department. Based on that information, she was able to move some of that money to help pay for a campus monitor.

Additionally, the money that was requested in the last budget amendment for money for a scheduling program was not needed. That money is no longer needed as Dr. Grimm negotiated with Osceola County School District to be the beta tester for the scheduling program that the District will adopt in a year or two. In the meantime, NDHS will use the software for this year's scheduling, thus avoiding the expense of having to purchase our own software.

Motion was made to approve the new budget by Loomes Wheeler and seconded by Carmen Torres. Motion carried.

<u>Campus Monitor</u> – Dr. Grimm and Dr. Cafiero explained the purpose of needing a new campus monitor. Based on recent events involving the breach of security and student safety at Sandy Hook Elementary, they felt the need for additional security. They explained that the sheriff's office will send a patrol car around when possible. The school has also been assigned a deputy to call if ever needed. The duty and purpose of the monitor is to check ID of all people needed/wanting access to the school. The gate remains closed except when admitting people once verified by the assistants at the front desk. Mr. Davila's hours are from 7:30am – 4;30pm. He will receive some training from the Sheriff's department.

Dr. Grimm has an appointment with a traffic deputy to help the school develop a traffic pattern for parents' drop-off and pick up of students.

Parents and students overwhelmingly approve and appreciate the monitor at the front gate.

<u>Letter Grade</u> – Dr. Cafiero explained that NDHS has received a grade of an "A" for the third year in a row. She explained some of the criteria for determining the grade. Based on the information provided, we will have to work on the student college readiness tests which will affect the grade.

<u>SACS accreditation</u> – We went through the accreditation process in December. We will be received our formal accreditation – it is posted on the NDHS web site. The only need was to develop a formal 5-Year Technology Plan. The plan is almost complete.

<u>A+ School Recognition Money</u> – Because of our "A" grade, NDHS asked the SAC committee to approve a plan for spending the money. SAC committee voted to spend the money in the same manner as last year. Teachers, staff, administrators receive a bonus and the remaining money will be spent on technology.

<u>Golf Tournament Update</u> – Scott Pettengill and Ryan Adams gave update on golf tournament. The golf tournament will be held at the Remington Golf course. The golf course will provide buffet, signs, and help with registration and advertisement. The golf tournament is April 20. See web page for more details. The link for the informational flyer is: http://newdimensionshs.com/Golf_Tournament.html

Good for the Order -

- Next Board meeting: April 24, 2013.
- Enrollment is fairly stable at 394. The limit is 400.
- Bob Alexander indicated that he and his wife are retiring and moving. He may not be at the April 24th meeting if his house sells before then.
- A discussion was held about a public comment and an email to the chairperson. Jackie informed the board
 that the insurance company is reviewing the email and board comments to determine if we need an attorney
 at this point. There have been no complaints about where or when we meet by the board members or public.
 The meetings are properly posted, according to Sunshine law. Board members noted that comments are
 baseless and unfounded. No action is needed is needed at this time.
- NDHS is developing a FACEBOOK page. A committee has been established to help develop the page. Those
 who have 'liked' the page will be able to get messages and reminders via FACEBOOK. This another way
 that the school can reach into the community.

<u>Adjourn</u> – Jackie Grimm motioned to adjourn the meeting, motion seconded by Karen Miller. Meeting adjourned at 9:30am.