

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
FOR THE JOHN C DUNHAM STEM PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL
Governing Board Minutes
Tuesday May 14, 2019
1:00 pm

John C Dunham STEM Partnership School, Easley Education Center
405 S Gladstone Ave.
Aurora, Illinois 60506-4892

1. Call to Order

Dr. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Present: Dr. Hichens, Dr. Craig & Dr. Sullivan.

Dr. Patel for Dr. Sherrick and Ms. Kincaid for Dr. Norrell.

Also present: Arin Carter and Ana Buenrostro.

3. Public Comment

No public comment.

4. Executive Session – 5ILCS 120/2 (C)(1)

4.1 The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

4.2 Adjourn executive session

5. Return to Open Session

5.1 Roll Call

Dr. Craig motioned and Dr. Hichens seconded to approve to return to open session at 1:12 pm.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

6. Consent Agenda

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to approve the consent agenda items 6.1, 6.2 and 6.3.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

7. Action Item

7.1 Approval of Employment contracts for 2019-2020 as follows:

- Art – 0.3 FTE: Linda Ball
- Music – 0.3 FTE: Meg Papadolias
- PE – 0.8 FTE: Jenna Parham
- Interventionist – 0.5 FTE: Mary Jelden

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to approve action item 7.1

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

7.2 Governing Board Meeting dates for FY20: 08/20/19, 11/12/19, 2/11/20, 5/12/20

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to approve action item 7.2

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

7.3 Approval of the FY 2020 budget for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to approve action item 7.3

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

7.4 Acceptance of gifts/donations report

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to approve action item 7.4

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

7.5 Election of Officers F20: President, Vice President and Secretary

President: Dr. Sullivan

Dr. Craig motioned and Dr. Hichens seconded to approve Dr. Sullivan as President.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

Vice President: Dr. Craig

Dr. Hichens motioned and Dr. Sullivan seconded to approve Dr. Craig as Vice President.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

Secretary: Dr. Norrell

Dr. Craig motioned and Dr. Hichens seconded to approve Dr. Norrell as Secretary.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

8. Information/Presentation/ Discussion

8.1 John C Dunham STEM Partnership School Report

8.1.1 STEM Lunch Program

Aurora University is working with West Aurora on the lunch menu. Portions for middle School have been given to elementary students. Ms. Carter will follow up with AU.

8.1.2 STEM Evaluation

Aurora University will find an evaluator for the John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School, this will be a priority. Monies were moved to an evaluation line item in the budget for FY20. Evaluators will be interviewed.

8.1.3 Special Education Services

Ms. Carter shared that as of the day of the meeting, the school does not have a scope of the needs of special education services for the upcoming school year, because of this recruiting is an issue. Districts are responsible for providing their own special education services.

8.1.4 Professional Learning Communities

There is not a common plan time for teachers. There should be a common time for 3rd, 4th and 5th together, and also both elementary with middle school. They need to find creative ways to get them all together for meeting at least once a month.

Plan one is a meeting with the whole school, and plan two is a meeting with each elementary and middle school.

There was a discussion on how to arrange the meetings, suggestions were to do a school assembly where older students lead and model younger students.

9. Adjourn

Dr. Hichens motioned and Ms. Kincaid seconded to adjourn.

Ayes: (5)

Nays: (0)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 pm.

Ana K Buenrostro

Administrative Assistant to the Director

John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School