

SIX DIRECTIONS INDIGENOUS SCHOOL

SDIS – GC Meeting

August 8th, 2018

6:00pm, SDIS, 2055 NM-602, Gallup, NM 87301

To Listen in Via Phone:

712-775-7031

Code: 296-987#

Mission

The Six Directions Indigenous School, through a commitment to culturally relevant indigenous education and interdisciplinary project-based learning, will develop critically conscious students who are engaged in their communities, demonstrate holistic well-being, and have a personal plan for succeeding in post-secondary opportunities.

- I. Call to Order - Chair Towery: 6:00pm
- II. Roll Call - Chair Towery

| SDIS Governing Board | Present | Absent |
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| Chair Towery | X | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | X | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | Telephonically | |
| Keeper of Finances Tapaha | X | |
| Member Pfeiffer | X | |

Quorum: 5/0

- III. Approval of Agenda - Supt. Vicenti

| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Pfeiffer | Second: Sam |
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| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Keeper of Finances Tapaha | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

Approved 5/0

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IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. June 25, 2018 Special Meeting
- B. July 11, 2018 Regular Meeting
- C. July 16, 2018 Special Meeting
 - Capture the motion made explicitly

| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Sam approve all the minutes of June 25, July 11, and July 16. | Second: Susan |
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| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Keeper of Finances Tapaha | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

Approved: 5/0

V. Public Comment- Chair Towery

- Question: No Junk Food allowed, what is allowed? Bottled water.

VI. Informational

A. Finance Report - Business Manager Amber Peña

- Susan does not have the financial reports-use teacher for America Email.
- Amber-not much activity
- Cash carryover is in the bank
- First month SEG 72,000 first half, will increase if enrollment increase
- Instructional material allocation hasn't been received
- Expenditure-July 53000 (rent) and salaries and supplies
- NISN Grants is what we are spending \$59000 Native American Grant, \$45000 High Performing
- Enrollment-Where are we at? Budgeted for 100 students, application states 125, we had 60 students attend school on the first day.
- 40th Day is the second Wednesday of October which is when we need to show more students enrolled.
- CSI Grant where is the money? Haven't received the money, but did get an award letter. We are paying for 2 teachers
- Audit Committee Visit September 6-7, 2018; Exit Conference-don't know when it will be.

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- New firm that will be doing the audit
 - Tamarah-What kind of hard copy documentation do we need?
 - Amber-you will not need any paper copies of anything, the auditors will ask you questions and will give you a spreadsheet of what they are looking for.
 - Audit cannot be discussed until it is released from the state.
 - Tamarah-Audit will usually will look at the mission, vision, travel, purchase orders, invoices etc.
 - Amber-Amber will upload all info into the portal
 - Tamarah-Spend down column for the next report.
 - Lane-Liability insurance what is it? Pg. 13-it includes our role. If we were to get sued how much are we covered? NIMPSIA covers.
 - Lane will reach out to POMS to get clarification on coverage.
 - Attorney's who is it? How can we get them? Annual fee, no matter how much we use them? Retainer? Would like an attorney. How do we go about Vetting.
 - We can't pay a retainer fee. We can open a purchase order. \$10000 we have for an attorney. Can't go over \$60000.
 - Lane will reach out to different law firms
- B. Administrator's Report - Head Administrator Vicenti
1. Student Handbook - Sweetwyne
 - Things that were added-GC listing, staff listing, graduation requirements
 - Discipline will continually be worked on.
 - Terminology of what is in the handbook has been fixed ex. standards
 - In the discipline matrix also has some outreach to the counselor.
 - Policy for expulsion will be added
 - Tamarah-likes that we are looking at the mission of the school. How do projects occur in a 55 minute period? PBL is a unit, inquiry and investigation. Teacher has specific planning schedules to make sure the PBL is done throughout the day. Is there a possibility for longer periods to engage.
 - Arnold and Sweetwyne are enrolling in Gifted in Education.
 - Sweetwyne will be overseeing Gifted students during Advisory.
 - Pre-AP program is being worked on to build capacity.
 - Parents review and provide feedback about the handbook.
 - Next meeting Report Card, PARCC scores and Enrollment.

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VII. Action Items

A. Consideration of an Instructional Materials Policy

- Parent involvement
- Tamarah-this is the instructional material policy for the future and for potential for lost materials. Should there be a clause about lost or stolen textbook and replace.
- Sam-how do we reinforce this?
- Students who don't return material, they will not receive their diploma.
- Community service, support in peer tutoring etc for kids to pay back what they owe.
- Policy needs to be more holistic.

| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah approve the instructional material policy with making amendments at the next board meeting. | Second: Oliver |
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| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Keeper of Finances Tapaha | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

Approval: 5/0

B. Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding between Six Directions Indigenous School and the NACA-Inspired Schools Network

- Tamarah-1.3 Core Values? Who does this NACA?
- 1.37-Can we attach people's names to this?
- 1.45-Strategic Plan? Who's strategic plan
- 3.1-Risk and liabilities, what about cost and fiscal?
- Needs signature of all board members.
- Sam-Liability to broad.
- Support under this umbrella, responsibility

| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah table the MOU until we have a representative from NISN. | Second: Susan |
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| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Keeper of Finances Tapaha | x | (7:01 pm left meeting.) |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

Tabled: 5/0

- C. Approval of updates to the school Salary Schedule regarding 520-licenced language teachers
- Tamarah-520 license are no different than a bachelor or associate licensed teacher, why should we have three different salary schedules.
 - Sam-is the bachelor degree and work that is put into getting a bachelor's degree similar to getting a 520 license?
 - Susan-pay them above the district level.
 - Sheryl-it's a gray area, sees both side of the argument

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| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah not approve 520 salary schedule. | Second: Lane |
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- Request to re-open discussion
- Motion was rescinded by Tamarah
- Discussion was reopened by Chair Towery
- GC is unsure how not approving the salary schedule will hinder the employee.
- Tamarah-We should not have a 520 salary but just go with a Bachelor's salary

2nd Motion

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| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah motions to do away with the three salary schedules and use the bachelor salary schedule for the 520 license. | Second: Lane |
| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |

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| Co-Chair Crowfoot | | x |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

Approved 3/1

D. Consideration of a food services contract between Six Directions Indigenous School and Rehoboth Christian School

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| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah motion to approve the contract | Second: Susan |
| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

E. Approval of staff stipends

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| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Tamarah motion to approve | Second: Sam |
| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

VIII. Discussion items

A. Agenda and Documentation Procedure

- Likes the paper copies
- Fiscal needs it sooner

B. Update on Audit Committee

- Shirley and Maikai's dad is volunteering their time to be apart of the committee.

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- C. Update on Governing Council Member training
 - Check your emails. 8 hours.
 - June 30, 2019 all training needs to be completed
- D. Board clerk and duties
 - Some secretary of the GC takes notes
 - Head Administrator takes notes
 - Or school secretary
- E. Annual Meeting and work session
 - Will name dates and try to find a comprise
- F. Student Due Process Policy
 - Draft copy
 - Students and Parents needs a chance to represent themselves
 - Incorporate native mediation
- G. Draft Agenda for September 12th Regular Meeting
 - School Grades
 - POMS Insurance
 - Instructional Material Updates
 - MOU from NISN
 - Due Process-Discussion; Subcommittee will be Sam and Tamarah
 - Open Evaluation
 - Frontline-Gene create a demo

IX. Adjournment 8:15 pm

| SDIS Governing Board | Motion: Sam to close meeting | Second: Susan |
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| | Yes | No |
| Chair Towery | x | |
| Co-Chair Crowfoot | x | |
| Keeper of Records Estrada | x | |
| Member Pfeiffer | x | |

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Approved by the Six Directions Indigenous School Governance Council this 12th day of September 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Susan Estrada', written over a horizontal line.

Keeper of Records: _____
Susan Estrada

Date: 09-12-2018