

C.S. LEWIS ACADEMY
Board Meeting Agenda
November 15, 2007 – 7:30 pm

I. Introduction

Tracy Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

a. Welcome

Board Attendance: Tracy Roberts, Lauren Ploeger, Marilyn Roberts, Kelly Carter, Karen Monsen
(Quorum of 5, Tracy to conduct and vote)

Board Members Absent: Gwen Heath – excused, Reba Vest – will arrive late

Others present: Katie Sorensen (teacher/parent), Rhiannon Lind (K12 specialist), Sidney Armstrong
(Special Ed Director, standing in for Principal Jason Finch), Mariah Haws (parent), Brynn Janke
(business manager), Lincoln Fillmore (Charter Solutions)

b. Approval of minutes

Motion: Marilyn Second: Kelly Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

II. Report from Principal

a. General Status

Report given by Sidney Armstrong. See attached “Board Update from Mr. Finch.”

Clarification of open enrollment period – charter schools only.

Lunch discussion – FYI for Board

Test Results – See attached “ITBS School Performance Profile.” Utah as a state is behind the
national average. There is a 49% discrepancy between Utah CRT’s and national ITBS.

Sidney explained that our students scored fairly low and have room to improve. Tracy asked
how long it would take to see improvement so that we can use that as a recruiting tool for
additional students. Sidney predicted by 2nd semester.

b. Approval of CUSAP report

Discussed after item II.c. Presentation of report from Sidney, Brynn, and Lauren based on info relayed
from Jason.

Resolution 111507-1: Approval of CUSAP report.

Motion: Lauren Second: Karen

Discussion:

Questions from Kelly regarding State requirements. Lincoln clarification that this report does not
alleviate State req’ts – how the boxes are checked for how the money will be used is based on our school
needs based on population and what we qualify for. Though the report is mandatory, the request for

funding is not. It is additional money available to schools if they choose to apply. Further discussion why Districts get so much money for these items and how some charter schools don't even bother chasing such small amounts of money. Kelly generally concerned about CSLA compliance with CUSAP; she will do personal research.

Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0 (Karen – Aye, Lauren – Aye, Tracy – Aye, Marilyn – Aye, Kelly – Aye)

c. K¹² – Explanation of Math Leveling

Discussed prior to item II.b. Rhiannon reviewed placement tests and status of math leveling. K12 philosophy is to get students to grade level, in the leveled groups they have more individual instruction. Question asked on how we know when they are on grade level – through daily assessment. Lauren asked general question regarding how K12 math compares to other math curriculums such as Saxon or Investigations. K12 is a balanced program that teaches concepts while providing the basics with lots of hands on activities. Karen also asked about literature progress. General good feeling about K12 including math program. Rhiannon and Katie both praised it. Sue Furick from K12 coming in December to offer training on math leveling.

Conclusion of other “Board Update from Mr. Finch” items.

IV. Purchase request – floor burnisher

Motion to move agenda item up.

Motion: Marilyn Second: Kelly Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

Brynn presented option to purchase a used floor burnisher for \$1,400.

Motion to purchase burnisher.

Motion: Marilyn Second: Lauren

Discussion: Can we afford it? Lincoln said the school's bottom line is tight and suggests waiting.

Brynn said that burnisher would most likely still be available at a later date.

Motion to table this motion.

Motion: Kelly Second: Karen Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

III. Financial Report from Business Manager

Presented by Lincoln. Over the next couple of months will be able to shift money between line items based on actual need. Good news – implementation grant awarded at \$111,000 – higher than expected.

IV. Purchase request – floor burnisher

Agenda item discussed earlier.

V. Mobile Computer Lab Discussion

Discussion of cost vs. location in school. Reasons to have mobile over stationary. Need to move forward since we need computers for testing. Should Jason research and decide? Board will need to approve decision. Lincoln suggested that we request report from Jason including 2 options for us to choose from.

Resolution 111507-2: Request two alternatives from principal for computer lab, mobile vs. stationary, outlining cost and location in school.

Motion: Lauren Second: Marilyn

Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0 (Karen – Aye, Lauren – Aye, Tracy – Aye, Marilyn – Aye, Kelly – Aye)

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm due to Marilyn leaving and therefore, no quorum. Decided to wait for Reba to arrive to reconvene. Meeting reconvened at 9:22 pm.

VI. Board Education – Review

a. Charter

i. Assignments based on work session

See attached email from Reba to board members. Review of assignments.

b. “Boards that make a difference,” John Carver

All board members still in process of reading book. No discussion necessary at this time. Repetitive of training given by Brian Carpenter. Decision to keep reading, but not to delay reading of second book.

VII. Board Education – Book Assignment

a. “Reinventing ...,” John Carver

b. Read by December board meeting

Lauren proposed having both books read by January board meeting. Reba motioned to cancel December board meeting due to proximity to Christmas holiday and reconvene on the third Thursday in January.

Motion: Reba Second: Lauren Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

VIII. Closed Executive Session

Enter Closed Session Motion: Reba Second: Karen Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

Exit Closed Session Motion: Reba Second: Karen Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

Resolution 111507-3: Approve spending of \$2,600 from Employee Motivation Expense Fund.

Motion: Lauren Second: Tracy Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0

IX. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:50 pm.

Motion: Reba Second: Karen Vote: Aye 5 Nay 0