

GFA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: July 17, 2014, 6:30

Location: GFA

Attendees: Steve Hepburn, Tom Koehler, Michelle Arnold, Suzanne Kemp, Andrew Hedricks, Peggy Downs, Charity Smith (conference call)

Guests: Jared Van Orden, Carter Randall, Jeff Biesenger, Jordan Hassell, Tami Davis, Lisa Pockrus

Absent: Loren Pankratz, Brent Petersen, Jamie Walker

Taking Minutes: Natalie Trumbo

Prayer: Tom Koehler

Open Forum/Updates: Carter Randall gave an update about the utilities for the building with Riverdale City. The plan for GFA was originally to do a cross access agreement with shared water and sewer. The City Utilities Department said that was not possible. Everyone needs to have individual water and sewer systems. Carter isn't sure if the building is plumbed separately, but will find out. He requested a copy of the plans and if that fails will engage a camera to lower into the sewer to find out. If the plumbing needs to be separated, Carter will collect bids. Payment arrangements will be decided at a later time once the board has more information. A plan will need to be in place by August 11th.

Tom Koehler brought up an issue with the incoming teacher applicants. They are not of the same quality as in previous years. The applicants that Tom has talked with have not read the book on the curriculum. Solutions will be discussed at a later meeting.

Business Administration:

- **Computers:** Peggy Downs sent out bids for the computers. AnchorSix sent out another bid coming in lower. All the bids do not include projectors for the classrooms. Steve Hepburn motioned to go with AnchorSix for the new computers. Michelle Arnold seconded the motion. All were in favor. The motion passed. The projectors will have to be funded separately. Michelle Arnold contacted Andrea at the Daniel's foundation and was informed that GFA does not qualify for funding since GFA has reached their enrollment targets. Daniel's fund only helps charter schools that are just starting out. Andrea suggested that GFA could make a case for expansion and maybe qualify then. She informed Michelle that the Board of the fund will meet at the end of August to discuss the disbursement of the funds for Utah for the 2015 school year and to have Michelle call back in September. Tom Koehler offered to help Michelle with the call.

- **Playground:** Brent Petersen sent out an email with the bids for the replacement of the southern playground structure. After extensive research he recommends that the board go with Lucky Dog. Peggy Downs brought up an issue with the details of the bids. They do not include the replacement of sod or sprinklers. The landscaping company informed Peggy that the sprinklers in place now are not effective and will at some point need to be replaced. The bids do include the fixing of the drainage system out in the playground. Lucky Dog has given a timeline of 4-6 weeks. Steve Hepburn motioned to go with Lucky Dog for the replacement of the southern playground structure. Suzanne Kemp seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.
- **General Contractor (GC)/Architect for new bldg./remodel:** Andrew Hedricks has had experience with Peck and feels they are a very reputable company. Stout is also a very good company. Jeff Biesenger had a negative experience with Hogan disqualifying them from the running. Peck guaranteed that they would stay within budget. Michelle Arnold motioned to go with Peck for the GC. Steve Hepburn seconded the motion. All were in favor with Tom Khoeler giving his vote via email. Motion passed. The architect will be a little more complicated. Andrew Hedricks recommended that the board have the GC involved in the interview process for the architect. The GC might have some insight as to which architect will work best with them. Mountain West and CLC are the two companies that Andrew Hedricks would recommend the board go through for the architect. The board decided to interview the architects and vote on one at next meeting.
- **Floor Refinish:** Brent Petersen and Jordan Hassell put in a lot of work collecting bids for refinishing the gym floor. It was brought up that the playground will need to be replaced before the gym floor is refinished. With adding more varsity clubs next year the gym will see more traffic. It is becoming a danger and needs to be refinished before it gets to the point of needing to be replaced. Jordan passed around two options of colors and designs for the new floor. The plan is to refinish the floor, repaint the lines, add the school logo to the center, and the name of the school to the outside. New rules for the gym floor will have to be in place, enforced, and explained to the students. Jordan Hassell discussed adding pickle ball lines with one of the companies so that he can add that to the curriculum next year. One of the bids that came in was almost double. The other two bids came in nearly the same. One of the companies gave a bid with the pickle ball lines and the other without and there was about a \$1,000 difference in price. Refinishing the floor is under \$10,000 and does not require a formal vote, but Peggy would like the board's input on which design to choose. For the future, Peggy collected some bids for replacing the bleachers, but they came in too high. It was decided to repaint the current bleachers and purchase portable bleachers that fold up against the wall and can seat 200-300 people. Jordan would recommend going with United Service from Idaho. United Service

came recommended by DaVinci and is the company that did the floor for the NCAA basketball tournament last year. The Board will leave the final decision to Peggy, Jordan, and Brent. The board agreed on red lines on the floor and blue bleachers. The painting of the bleachers needs to take place before the floor is refinished.

Suzanne Kemp motioned to go into closed session. Michelle Arnold seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting went into closed session.

Closed Session