

TEMPE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Date May 12, 2010

Time: 6:00p.m.

Location: Student Union

A regular meeting of the Tempe Preparatory Academy Board of Directors was held in the Student Union of Tempe Preparatory Academy, 1251 East Southern Avenue, Tempe, Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

Board Members Present: J Hughes, President. C LeBeau, Vice President. E Ortiz, Treasurer. T Kilby, Secretary. K Brockelman. J Evans. T Bush. Jeff Veenstra, Faculty ex-officio member. Sara Begley, PTO ex-officio member.

Board Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Hugh Hallman, TPA counsel and Headmaster. Barbara White, Business Manager. Heather Topper, Accountant.

1. **Call to Order.** J. Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.
2. **Call to the Public.** J. Hughes issued a call to the public. Susan Hallman informed the Board that she had received a check for \$11,200.91 for TPA's share of funds raised by Mayor Hugh Hallman in conjunction with the 2010 Mayor's Run. The Board expressed its appreciation to Mayor Hallman.

3. **Consent Agenda:**

a. **Reading/Approval of the minutes of previous meetings:**

- i. April 14, 2010: Regular Meeting
- ii. April 14, 2010: Executive Session

b. **Review and approval of monthly financial statements**

E Ortiz moved to approve the Consent Agenda. T Kilby seconded. Motion passed.

4. **Regular Agenda:**

a. **Headmaster's Report**

- i. **Discipline & Enrollment**—Mr. Hallman reviewed the enrollment numbers. He reviewed the results of the Saturday detention program.
- ii. **Cash Flow & State Payment Issues**—Mr. Hallman discussed the planned budget and how TPA is responding to it. There will be a proposed budget after the tax election on 5/18/2010.
- iii. **Legislation for Enrollment Preferences**
- iv. **Charter Renewal Process**—Mr. Hallman reported that the application is completed and will be uploaded for the State on 5/18/2010. The budget piece discusses re-instating the faculty salary cuts as a priority.
- v. **Staffing & Recruiting**—There is only one faculty opening for next year—this is at TPJA, as Ms. Pitman will be taking over the drama position.
- vi. **Capital Improvement Projects**—So far this has just used students and parents with the Saturday detention program.
- vii. **Facilities Improvements (Air Conditioning)**—Final financing will be discussed at next meeting.

viii. **Summer School**—A new not-for-credit study skills class will be offered for our 7th and 8th grade students who are struggling.

ix. **School-Day Start Time Change Proposal**—Mr. Hallman explained that with change to the 2A athletic level, there were many more early releases this year. To reduce the impact on 6th hour instruction, it has been proposed to start the school day next year to start at 8:05a.m. with first bell at 8:00a.m. The staff unanimously supports this. Discussion was held. Lauren Whitaker, TPA parent, wondered about whether other parents could have a chance to comment before this was enacted. E Ortiz moved to give the Headmaster the discretion to modify the start time of TPA. T Kilby seconded. Motion passed. Mr. Hallman will inform the TPA community about this change and the reasons behind it.

x. **Commencement Speaker**—Maricopa County Superior Court Judge John Buttrick will be our 2010 graduation speaker.

b. **Proposed Budget for 2010-2011**—Mr Hallman noted that this is incorporated in the charter renewal application and will be reviewed formally / finally in June.

c. **Faculty Report.** J Veenstra—Mr. Veenstra will be the new Faculty Representative.

d. **Parent Organization Report.** S. Begley reported that the Sports Dessert will be next Friday. PO will sponsor the Senior Picnic after the awards program and the Graduation arrangements. The PO will also be sponsoring a breakfast for our advancing 8th graders. She also noted the new PO officers for the next year.

E Ortiz moved to enter Executive session at 6:40p.m. T Kilby seconded. Motion passed.

5. **Executive Session:** All business conducted in Executive Session is confidential pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03. At this time, the public is to leave the room and take all materials such as backpacks, purses, and briefcases.

- a. Discussion/Consultation with Attorney for legal advice regarding enrollment policies and 2009 Audit inquiry and response (A) (A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3)).
- b. Discussion regarding employment matters—Past Headmaster & Capital Projects manager positions, actions, terms and revisions and related issues (A.R.S. Section 38-431.03)

K Brockelman moved to adjourn Executive Session at 7:07p.m. T Kilby seconded. Motion passed.

6. **Regular Agenda (Continued):**

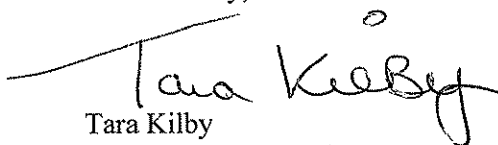
- a. Possible motions from the Executive Session. NONE.
- b. Discussion
- c. Call to the Public.
- d. Possible Vote on items presented

7. **Announcements:**--NONE

8. **Next Board Meeting:** Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Union.

9. **Adjournment**—K Brockelman moved to adjourn at 7:09p.m. T Kilby seconded. Motion passed.

Submitted by,



Tara Kilby
Susan Hallman, Scribe