

Minutes
Alder Grove Charter School
Governance Council
December 4, 2007

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:37 by Governance Council President, Cindy Peterson. In attendance were Cindy Peterson, Carole Porter, Lesley Ester, Kellie Leahy, Brad Woodward and Jenni Allen San Giovanni.
- II. Consent Items/Minutes
Passed with amendment to Item F
- III. Correspondence/Communication
- IV. Information Items
 - A. Jenni reports that the school has 192 students enrolled. The WASC visit was favorable. The school is now dealing with many deadlines - this is a busy time for the school and the Wednesday classes have ended until after the Christmas holiday.
 - B. Leadership Committee is working on various policies to be discussed. The Christmas party is to be held December 21 and will be announced in the December Newsletter.
 - C. Discussion of process for setting agendas.
- V. Action Items
 - A. Discussion of elective credit for assessment advancement. This would be extra credits (2.5) for jumping, for example, from below basic to a step above, etc. on STAR testing. These credits would be labeled "Electives" – 2.5. This passed with a vote of 5/0.
 - B. Field trip discussion. The policy in place now is that all students who participate in field trips will be driven to the location and accompanied on the field trip by a parent or legal guardian. The parent (or guardian) is assuming full responsibility for the student at all times during the field trip. This policy statement is to be included in the parent handbook. Jenni will be checking with the school insurance carrier regarding the wording of this policy. This itemed deferred to action item on the next agenda.

- C. Parent dispute resolution policy. There was discussion regarding the need for an overall resolution policy (not just for parents). This is to
- D. be named “Dispute Resolution Policy” with the revisions as previously discussed. Approved with a 5/0 vote.
- E. Audit. Excellent audit results were reported. No findings. Approved 5/0.
- F. First Interim Budget. Discussion of how to use excess educational funds. Passed 5/0
- G. Revised discipline policy. Deferred to action item on next agenda.
- H. Amendment to revised by laws – Section VII – Article 22 – Much discussion was held on compensation and to Governance Council Members. Kellie moved to revise by-laws. Passed 3/2.
- I. Board Calendar – discussion deferred to next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Minutes certified by Cindy Peterson, President

Cindy Peterson

Date