

# **Boston Avenue Charter School**

## **Governing Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

### Members Present

Rowena Rampersad,

Norma Callahan

Matt Anderson

### Guests

Frank Jones

Karen Richter

David Cozad

Carol Bush

Meeting called to order at 8:37 a.m.

Introduction of all members; names and roles at Boston Avenue Charter School.

Motion to Accept Dr. Callahan as new board member. Matt Anderson moved the motion. Mrs. Rampersad seconded. All in favor .

Motion to accept the previous board minutes made by Matt Anderson and seconded by Rowena Rampersad. All in favor.

Motion to meet each month on 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of each month. Rowena Rampersad moved the motion, Matt Anderson seconded. All in favor.

Motion to approve Carol Larson teaching out of field ( supervise ESE, Title I, Gifted). Moved by Matt Anderson, seconded by N. Callahan.

Mr. Jones Introduced Sue Connell in name, certified ESE teacher that is working with Carol; 25 % of students get services of some kind, ESE, OT, etc.

Rowena Rampersad wanted to be sure ESE certification is good and we are covered in paperwork. Office hours match, etc.

Carol Bush presented Budget and looks in great shape. Grant allowed purchases so that we didn't have to use money from operating budget.

Rampersad expressed that it is good that we have excess in budget for spring to carry if there are budget cuts.

Norma Callahan suggested for children with disabilities Conklin Center and Lions Club.

Motion to approve revised Budget by Matt Anderson, seconded by Norma Callahan. Vote all approved.

Rowena Rampersad wants to address our school 's mission. She wants to make sure we have everyone on board understand the mission. Need to publish the mission statement and make it much more visible. Her strength is writing and mission should be more concise.

Rampersad will do a revision of mission and send to Frank Jones for consideration.

Being a green healthy food and project based learning would set us apart. Grass roots, specialists, and training we can have, but maybe can't be done in a traditional public school.

Mr. Jones informed that the new curriculum came in. Rowena recommended making public notice.

Karen Richter proposed that at all board meetings the agenda should include a place for public comment.

Norma Callahan wanted to know if we have interims FAIR x3 before FCAT. No child left behind services, we are Title I, so the question was, "do we qualify?"

Mr. Jackson was not present today for health issues.

Norma Callahan made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Matt Anderson seconded. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.