

James Madison Prep. High School

Board Meeting March 26, 2015

Board Members Present: Sonical Mitchell, Bo Hardee, Margaret Ann Bunch, Justin Davis, Shelly Renfro, Kathy Wilder, and Demetrius Rice (principal)

Also present: Patrick White, Denise Selph, Michelle Pride (parent)

- Meeting began 5:35 p.m.
- Shelly Renfro made a motion to approve the minutes from last month and Margaret Ann Bunch seconded, all were in favor.
- Financial Statement- The board needs to make a decision on whom our financial planner for grants, funds etc. will be, whether we use Amy Gibson (use someone internally) or hire an outside party. Bo mentioned that the board needs to post financial updates and minutes to the website, Demetrius will post them. The board discussed how the A+ award money will be allocated. The decision was made for it to be divided, 80% to the teachers and 20% to school. Margaret Ann made a motion for the 80/20 split and Kathy Wilder seconded. Margaret Ann Made a motion to approve the current financial statement, Bo Hardee seconded.
- Enrollment Update - As of today we have 45- 9th graders and 42 -10th graders currently enrolled and for 2015 – 2016 applications we have 29 -9th graders and 2- 10th graders. Late April we will have an open house. Kathy Wilder suggested that this year we hold a conference with each student enrolled to review all the rules and policies. To also bring to the parents attention that 10hour volunteer hours are required by parents of each student enrolled.
- Student Achievements – Industry Certifications for AutoDesk Inventor -26 Students ; Microsoft Office: Powerpoint – 7 Students; Word – 5 Students
- Upcoming Events – “Engineering Day” at FAMU/FSU engineering building – March 27th. Beta Club induction Ceremony April 10. Kathy Wilder made a suggestion to have a shirt made for every student this year with the T-shirt contest winners design. The board agreed that it would be a great idea.
- Mascot/Class Ring – We can use the school crest to represent the school mascot.
- New Faculty Interview Process – Marcus Nicholas would like to have someone on the faculty be a representative on the hiring committee. Justin made a motion to have this implemented in the school policy, Kathy seconded.
- Off-Campus Policy – See attached draft of the policy written. Bo made a motion to accept the off-campus policy written, Sonical seconded. (see attached)
- Accreditation –AdvancED Stadarnds for Quality School Systems (school accreditation) Initial review (summer 2014) External review tentatively for Fall 2015. There are 5 standards: 1.Purpose & Direction 2. Governance and Leadership 3.Teaching and Assessing for learning 4. Resource and Support Systems 5. Using Results for Continuous Improvement. (see attached for more details)
- Meeting adjourned 6:45
- Next meeting April 16, 2015
- Private Strategic Meeting begins