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Board of Directors of Hope Online Learning Academy Co-Op

Meeting Minutes: March 16, 2010

Approved by the Board of Directors: April 20, 2010

Board Members Present: Michael Bautista; Stephannie Finley; Phil Fox (items 1-10D); Jennifer Sobanet

Board Members Absent: Ray Ayon; Charles Johnson

Hope Online Attendees: Heather O'Mara (Chief Executive Officer); Shawn Gillum (General Counsel); Melanie Stone (Office Manager)

1. **Meeting was called to order** at 7:33AM by P. Fox.
2. **Posting of Meeting Notice:**
 - A. P. Fox advises that it was confirmed that the meeting notice was posted at Douglas County School District by Ms. Nona Eichelberger and on the Hope Online website in accordance with the Colorado Open Meetings Law.
3. **Quorum:**
 - A. P. Fox notes that a quorum is present because at least one-half of the members of the Board are in attendance.
4. **Meeting Purpose:** This regular meeting of the Board of Directors will focus on certain items relating to the organization's operations and will provide an opportunity for the Board to act (through approval) or voice concerns (through disapproval).
5. **Agenda Approval:** Motion to approve the proposed agenda was made by S. Finley and seconded by M. Bautista.
 - i. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. M. Bautista: YES
 - b. S. Finley: YES
 - c. J. Sobanet: YES
 - d. P. Fox: YES
6. **Consideration of consent items:** Motion for resolution to approve all matters on the consent agenda was made by M. Bautista and seconded by J. Sobanet.
 - A. Approval of 2/16/10 Meeting Minutes
 - i. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. M. Bautista: YES
 - b. S. Finley: YES
 - c. J. Sobanet: YES
 - d. P. Fox: YES
7. **Discussion about Board Governance, to be facilitated by Mr. Phil Fox, was postponed until the next Board Meeting.**

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8. **Update from Hope Online's General Counsel, Mr. Shawn Gillum:**
 - A. S. Gillum reported that Hope Online is negotiating an MOU with District 11. S. Gillum and H. O'Mara are meeting with Glenn Gustafson, District 11, Chief Financial Officer and Kris Odom, District 11, Charter School Liaison, today.
 - B. S. Gillum reported that Hope Online continues to finalize the closing of IBG Learning Center.

9. **Update from the Douglas County School District Executive Director, Pat McGraw, was postponed until the next Board Meeting.**

10. **Executive Director's Report:**
 - A. H. O'Mara reported the resignation of Pamela Ice, Director of Online Learning at the Colorado Department of Education, effective March 5, 2010. At this point, no replacement has been announced.
 - B. H. O'Mara invited all Board members to attend the Colorado Summit on Blended Learning, sponsored by the Donnell-Kay Foundation, on Thursday, March 18th and the Hot Lunch, featuring Susan Patrick of iNACOL, on March 19, 2010.
 - C. H. O'Mara shared pictures of the Cyberschools Day at the Capitol on February 25, 2010. The students that attended from Hope Online had a great experience.
 - D. The All About Kids Expo was held on March 6th and 7th at the Convention Center. This Radio Disney tradeshow provided a new avenue for branding Hope Online and online learning, in general.
 - E. H. O'Mara announced that Erin Smith, Hope Online teacher, was a finalist at the March 6th DCSD Apple Awards. Many Hope Online employees attended the ceremony in support.
 - F. H. O'Mara shared the two articles: The Online Learning Imperative: A Solution to Three Looming Crises in Education and A New Foundation for 21st Century Learning: Education Technology Investments in the 2011 Budget.

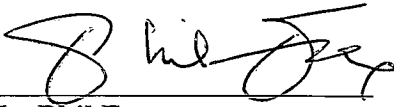
11. **Executive Session:**
 - A. None

12. **Public Comments:**
 - A. None

13. **Announcements:**
 - A. M. Bautista announced that HB10-1273 will be voted on Thursday, March 25 at 1:30 at the Capitol.

14. **The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2010 as a conference call.**

15. **Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 AM



Approved by: Mr. Phil Fox
Chairman of the Board of Directors
of Hope Online Learning Academy Co-op



Date