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Board of Directors of Hope Online Learning Academy Co-Op
Meeting Minutes: August 18, 2009
Approved by the Board of Directors: September 15, 2009

Board Members Present: Ray Ayon; Michael Bautista; Stephannie Finley; Phil Fox; Jennifer Sobanet

Board Members Absent: Charles Johnson

Other Attendees: Heather O'Mara (Chief Executive Officer, Hope Online)(items 9-14); Joyce Gietl (Chief Operations Officer, Hope Online); Sherida Peterson (Chief Academic Officer, Hope Online); Melanie Stone (Office Manager, Hope Online); Moira Cullen (Capstone Group, LLC)

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:25 PM 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 M. Bautista and seconded by J. Sobanet.
 - i. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. R. Ayon: YES
 - b. M. Bautista: YES
 - c. S. Finley: YES
 - d. J. Sobanet: YES
 - e. 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 S. Finley.
 - A. Approval of 6/16/09 Meeting Minutes
 - B. Approval of the following policies:
 1. Communication Policy HA-001
 2. Grading Policy HA-004
 3. Graduation Requirements Policy HA-005
 4. Discrimination and Harassment of Employees Policy HE-004

i. Roll Call Vote:

- a. R. Ayon: YES
- b. M. Bautista: YES
- c. S. Finley: YES
- d. J. Sobanet: YES
- e. P. Fox: YES

7. **Legislative update from Moira Cullen, Capstone Group LLC:**

- A. M. Cullen reported on the legislative developments and the budget cuts in k-12 and higher education.
- B. H. O'Mara, S. Peterson and M. Cullen had a positive meeting with Sen. Michael Johnston, former Principal of a high school that serves high risk students. Sen. Johnston was appointed to replace Sen. Peter Groff.
- C. M. Cullen announced that Learning Center tours will start again in October and November.

8. **2009 CSAP update from Hope Online Chief Academic Office, Ms. Sherida Peterson:**

- A. S. Peterson reviewed Hope Online's 2009 CSAP results. Overall, reading, writing and math scores improved.

9. **Executive Director's Report:**

- A. Hope Online's Graduation video and yearbook was distributed.
- B. 2009/2010 Learning Center and Enrollments were reviewed. There are 10 new Learning Centers and 3 Learning Centers that didn't renew. Hope Online's enrollment is currently at 2567.
- C. H. O'Mara presented a Hope Online update at tonight's DCSD Board meeting. The DCSD Board is expected to grant a two year extension to Hope Online's charter.
- D. H. O'Mara announced that the FRL program is being offered in every Hope Online Center for the 2009/2010 school year.
- E. H. O'Mara presented the article "The Rise of Cyber-Schools" from The New Atlantis.
- F. H. O'Mara reported that the financial audit is almost complete.

10. **Public Comments:**

- A. None.

11. **Executive Session:**

- A. None

12. **Announcements:**

- A. None

13. **The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2009 as a conference call.**

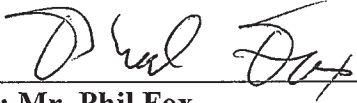
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14. Adjourn:

A. Motion for resolution to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM made by S. Finley and seconded by J. Sobanet.

i. Roll Call Vote:

- a. R. Ayon: YES
- b. M. Bautista: YES
- c. S. Finley: YES
- d. J. Sobanet: YES
- e. P. Fox: YES



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

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Date