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Board of Directors of Hope Online Learning Academy Co-Op
Meeting Minutes: September 15, 2009
Approved by the Board of Directors: October 20, 2009

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

Board Members Absent: Ray Ayon; Charles Johnson

Other Attendees: Heather O'Mara (Chief Executive Officer, Hope Online); Shawn Gillum (General Counsel, Hope Online); Melanie Stone (Office Manager, Hope Online); Pat McGraw (Chief of Staff, Douglas County School District)

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:35 AM 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. 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 P. Fox.
 - A. Approval of 8/18/09 Meeting Minutes
 - i. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. M. Bautista: YES
 - b. S. Finley: YES
 - c. J. Sobanet: YES
 - d. P. Fox: YES

7. **Update from the Douglas County School District Chief of Staff, Pat McGraw:**
 - A. P. McGraw talked about DCSD Superintendent Jim Christensen's resignation. Steve Herzog, currently DCSD's Chief Operating Officer, is the Interim Superintendent candidate.
 - B. P. McGraw will report to Assistant Superintendent Annette Fante, under Learning Services. P. McGraw's responsibilities, including oversight of Hope Online, are not expected to change.
 - C. There are 4 DCSD Board seats up for election in November 2009.

8. **Executive Director's Report:**
 - A. Hope Online's Charter Contract Extension will be recommended for approval at the DCSD Board Meeting in October. H. O'Mara will attend the DCSD meeting this evening to reply to any questions from DCSD Staff or Board Members.
 - B. 2009/2010 Learning Center and Enrollments were reviewed. There are 52 Learning Centers for the 09/10 school year. Hope Online's enrollment is currently at 2975. Hope Online will continue to enroll until September 30th, 2009. At the CCA meeting yesterday, it was reported that all CCA member schools' enrollments were flat as compared to last year.
 - C. H. O'Mara listed all the documentation required for the October count process. There are 6 documents that are required for online schools, compared to one document for traditional schools. She reported that Hope Online has always been audited at 100%.
 - D. H. O'Mara announced that the Hope Online November Board meeting has been changed to November 10, 2009 to include DCSD Board President, Kristine Turner.
 - E. H. O'Mara presented the article "Gang Intervention: A new prospective," by R. Ayon. She announced that R. Ayon will be teaming up with Hope Online's ESL coordinator, Laurel Padilla, and Hope Online's Community Relations Manager, Theresa Solano, to coordinate education training for Learning Centers.
 - F. H. O'Mara presented the iNACOL article "Policy and Funding Frameworks for Online Learning," as an applicable article for the Board.

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

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

11. **Announcements:**
 - A. M. Bautisa attended a STEM Board Meeting and thought it would be important for Hope Online to be involved.
 - B. M. Bautisa has formed a non-profit, the Educational Reform Network.

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12. **The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2009 as a conference call.**

13. **Adjourn:**
 - A. Motion for resolution to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 AM made by M. Bautista and seconded by P. Fox.
 - i. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. M. Bautista: YES
 - b. S. Finley: YES
 - c. J. Sobanet: YES
 - d. P. Fox: YES



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

10/29/09
Date