

Ivy Board meeting agenda. 3/12/19

Committee meeting reports

Strategic planning – Laura Federico Our committee met in January. Members asked about dual enrollment opportunities. Mrs. Markum said, Ivy has partnered with Chattanooga State in the past. We can try doing this again.

Committee also interested in offering more arts classes. For next year, Ivy has hired an art teacher who also has drama experience.

Can also partner with the Homeschool players. Also maybe Signal Mountain theatre or ABBA's House.

Leadership Committee - DR Meece

What is the school's PowerSchool formula? What percent for Quizzes, tests, homework, class work... Is our system consistent between teachers? Does Hamilton County have a required formula? How can parents tell by looking at PowerSchool? Dean Hubbard and Principal G determined the system for this year. The board discussed that we should be especially concerned because Grades matter a great deal for college admission. Our kids grades will be how they are compared to other applicants. Also, what are the rules for grading Honors, AP and DE classes. Are points added to final grade?

Ethan Miller gave an update on the budget. A profit/loss budget printout was provided. Mr. Miller says that we have spent about 77% of our budget for the year, which is on track for this point.

Mr. Holbrook presented to the board, a plan to teach a drone class next year. It would be a part of our career and technical plan. Upon completion, students who met the requirements would be FAA certified to fly drones. Currently about 100,000 people are able to do this. However, the expected need in the near future would be about 400,000. We might be able to add drone use to an existing class, but Mr. Holbrook says that, if we want to go for this certification, it would need to be its own course. We will need to write in appropriate ELA and math standards and then submit this course request to the state for approval. Patti Skates motioned that we approve, Laura Federico seconded, unanimous approval.

Clifford Gould, an investment advisor with Consolidated Retirement Services, Inc. Met with the board to provide some financial advice. He has set up 403b plans for several schools and school systems. It would cost approximately \$500 to set this up. He also reviewed some details about the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS). We discussed how retirement was accrued in the past and the current use of hybrid systems. We also discussed which private sector retirement plans were pre-tax or tax deferred.

Approximately 1/3 of HCDE teachers contribute to a 403b. The limits are \$16,500 annually before age 50 and \$22,000 after age 50.

Discussion of LOC with First Tennessee The board discussed renewing the Line of Credit with First Tennessee Bank. We currently have a \$ 0 balance. The interest rate is approximately 3.25% We decide that we do want to renew so that we will have it if needed. Patti Skates motioned and Ethan Miller seconded. Unanimous approval.

Other financial matters - Holly Slater is out on maternity leave (see below) so, the board voted to change the wording of the financial policies and procedures manual to allow Mrs. Markum to make decisions in Ms. Slater's absence without requiring her to obtain Mrs. Slater's signature on each item.

Suspend meeting to attend Ivy Academy PTO meeting

Here is PTO agenda, I would like Board to be able to attend Spring Festival and Wauhatchie School info.:

Agenda		Ivy Academy PTO Date: 3/12/19 Time: 6:30 pm	
Old Business			
Time	Agenda Item	Presenter	Action Item
6:30	Welcome & Minutes Review	Melissa Meece	Yes
6:35	Treasurer's Report	Angela Freeman	Informational Only
New Business			
Time	Agenda Item	Presenter	Action Item
6:40	Administration / Board Report	Principal G / Dean H / Directors / Board Representative	n/a
6:50	Cumberland Trail Spring Festival Auction - PTO Donation	Melissa Meece	Yes

7:00	Food City School Bucks Program	David Smith (Tentative)	n/a
7:15	Wauhatchie School	Dr. Jean Lomino	n/a
Miscellaneous			
April Meeting, Box Tops, Coke Rewards, Appreciation Station, Officer Elections in May			