

Amana Governing Board Meeting – December 20, 2016 8am-9:30am

Board Members present- Kristina Leidner-Eisenhardt, Leslie Jensen-Link, Stephanie Dean, Mulham Shbieb, Zafar Khan

Brief discussion of when to have future December board meetings due to expedition showcases.

Report from Ehab:

- Andrea Cooper is coming in January to a governing board meeting
- Attended Dr. Rose's State of Out Schools Address (SOSA).
 - o Emphasis on the role of community in child development
 - o Emphasis on what motivates kids
- Marketing strategies: targeted facebook ads, parent ambassadors, signs / banners
- School climate surveys coming in January
- AdvancED – accreditation process is starting

6th graders Lorelei Waugh, Ester Keita, and Telha Khan presented part of their work on their fall expedition, "Compost for the Community Garden"

The out parcel is under contract with a second buyer for \$750k. The closing will be before the year is over.

Hiring process will be more transparent about salaries and November raises going forward.

Kristina and Nada met with teachers two weeks ago, the feedback and output from discussions are being acted upon.

The discipline program may need to be reviewed.

Recognitions to Stephanie Dean and Niki Fox for their outstanding work on the Annual Fund campaign

Updates to the bond finance document in light of the sale of parcel.

Advocacy for Educational Reform recommendations encouraged - these will have a positive impact on charter schools

KPI dashboard – updated, board updates forthcoming

High School Update:

- Town Hall meeting to discuss and answer questions went well, still lots of interest

- Marketing plans discussed
- Idea to survey the 4-7th graders to see what they would like in a high school
- Need to solidify the commitment to ensure we can meet enrollment numbers

November Financials reviewed and Approved

Fund Development Committee now focused on the Banquet-March 4th