

Community Innovation Partners/Dallas Community School Board Minutes

Date: April 11, 2017
Location: Dallas Community School
Facilitator: **Teresa Crossley, Vice President**
Secretary: **Becki Gann, Secretary**

Present

Scott Burwash, Treasurer
Aaron Kumnick, Board Member
Vickie Nutt, Board Member
Holly Watkins, Board Member
Bill Conlon, DCS Director

BOARD RETREAT

1. Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm.
2. When the Retreat is open to the Public on April 13, topics to discuss include:
 - What should CIP become?
 - What are the needs of the community?
 - What would the community support?
 - What needs already exist in the community?
 - What about any gaps in the regional community? Should CIP start in Dallas then expand further into Polk County?
3. We must remember CIP needs a funding source separate from DCS to create promotion for CIP. We should consider a future discussion on potential fund-raising ideas for non-profits. Are grants available? Are community partners available? How can we raise money for our organization?
4. For example, we should identify and investigate community organizations that CIP can join. How do we make our presence known in the community? The Chamber of Commerce? The Downtown Association? Should we participate in philanthropic service clubs such as The Rotary Club and The Lions? What about Service Integration Team (SIT) in Polk County? Holly offers to attend the next SIT meeting to inquire about the process.
5. By what other means can we expand community involvement? What are some local events, like Summerfest, which draw regional attention? We can also investigate social media, community boards, etc.
6. If our charter is not renewed, does CIP have to stay in Dallas? What are our borders? Can we expand them? Can we consider Lebanon? Willamina? Central? McMinnville will not consider a charter, because it takes money away from current school projects.
7. At this time, our considerations include funding opportunities, civic memberships/partnerships, and geographic boundaries. Our goals are to firmly establish both community needs and timelines. In other words, what services do people want and when?

8. What are the available alternatives to public high school for homeschoolers? Aaron is researching and will share his resources with DCS families.
9. How shall we begin our Retreat with the Public on April 13?
 - Aaron or Scott will offer introductions.
 - Scott will discuss the school history, functions, and services.
 - Aaron will follow with a general overview of the initial vision.
 - Next, a general Q&A before we break up into groups to brainstorm.
 - This meeting will not be agenda-based.
10. Adjourned at 9:00 pm.