

Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School
Governance Council Meeting
District Office
1000 Yulupa Avenue, Santa Rosa
March 15, 2010

MINUTES

Present: Ms. Nikki Winovich
Mrs. Carol Wood
Mr. Joe Pandolfo
Mr. Jim Currie

Administrators: Mrs. Diane Moresi, Superintendent
Mr. Randy Coleman, Principal

Others: Interested parent

1. **OPEN SESSION: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE,
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
Mr. Pandolfo called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS**
None
3. **AGENDA APPROVAL**
Mr. Currie moved and Ms. Winovich seconded to approve the agenda: Unanimous.
4. **PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEE REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL**
None
5. **INFORMATION**
 - 5.1 **Governance Council**
Mr. Pandolfo discussed the function, make-up, and bylaws of the Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School Governance Council. The responsibilities of the council were reviewed. One of the main responsibilities is to approve the budget. The acceptance of the start-up grant was recently signed. The funds must be spent by the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 2010.

5.2 Review of Budget

Mr. Pandolfo reviewed the Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School budget for the \$150,000 that has been received. An additional \$100,000 will come at a later date. Mr. Coleman summarized the suggested expenditure list submitted by Spring Creek staff and site council. Mr. Currie summarized the suggested expenditure list submitted by Matanzas staff and site council.

Mr. Pandolfo reported that the grant money is not totally unrestricted. It is required to be used in specific categories. A document outlining what the allowable expenses are was reviewed. The council discussed all items on the recommended list of expenditures for fiscal year 2009/2010.

Ms. Winovich asked for clarification on the focus of the charter. Mrs. Moresi explained that the Matanzas campus focuses on technology, fine arts, and the garden program. Spanish will be added when the budget allows. The Spring Creek campus focuses on the early education component.

The main expenditures will be:

- Laptops for all teachers
- Staff development for laptops
- Kindergarten modulars, site work
- Kindergarten playground upgrade

A parent representing the PTA was present to ask questions regarding the expenditures. Her concern was regarding the money spent on technology rather than fine arts. Mrs. Moresi reported that the charter was written to reflect what the two schools were already doing. Mr. Coleman commented on the goal to be consistent at both sites.

6. ACTION

6.1 Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School Start-up Grant and Budget

Ms. Winovich moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to approve the Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School start-up grant and budget for fiscal year 2009-2010.

7. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mrs. Wood asked how information from the Governance Council meetings will be communicated to parents and staff. Governance Council agendas and minutes will be posted on the district website.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Spring Creek Matanzas Charter School Update
- Budget update
- Next meeting—June 3, 2010, 10:00 a.m.

9. ADJOURN

Ms. Winovich moved and Mr. Currie seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m.:
Unanimous.

Mrs. Cindy Mendenhall
Assistant to the Superintendent

Pending approval 6/3/10.