

Riverside Drive Charter School

Governance Council Meeting

April 6, 2016

Welcome

Governance Council

Kesia Doucette, Principal; Susanne Eisenberg, Chair/Teacher; Hope Cameron, Vice-Chair/Parent/PFRD Rep; Catherine Wygal, Secretary/Parent; Ilra Wi, Parliamentarian/Teacher; Jenni Gerdes, Teacher/Parent; Sandra Rodriguez, ELAC/Parent; Angie Ware, Classified Staff; Elizabeth Kate Zubkoff, Parent; Damon Johnson, Parent

Attendees and Presenters

Kesia Doucette, Principal; Susanne Eisenberg, Chair/Teacher; Hope Cameron, Vice-Chair/Parent/PFRD Rep; Catherine Wygal, Secretary/Parent; Ilra Wi, Parliamentarian/Teacher; Angie Ware, Classified Staff;

Meeting called to order at 3:05pm

Emergency Budget Meeting

Kesia Ducette

See Handout Packet

District gave us our charter allotment. Most of \$ goes to paying for teachers. 24 + 1 teachers for 2016-2017. We have to have enough students through "Norm Day". Over \$3.3 Million in our budget. Carrying over \$73,000 from 2015-2016. Certain categories of funding are limited based on what the district has available. For example, we can spend money on a certain category (Arts), we can chose from visual, dance, vocal, etc, but there may not be availability of teachers in a specific category.

Discussion about coordinator position (Ms. Arnell), will pay \$101,000. That rate includes the benefits (health, vacation, etc). Principal appoints a coordinator. Focus this year on the EL program, but now she will prepare GATE assessment. After that, is testing for "Smarter Balance".

Discussions regarding budget numbers, much is in place based on LAUSD standards. Very restrictive.

NGSS standards – discussion on having a science teacher.

Kesia is proposing we used to allocate field trip funds... allocate \$370 for a bus through LAUSD. 25 classes X \$370.

Come up with a strategy for splitting core costs against extras for PFRD funding.

Construct a budget to review with teachers then with governance on Wednesday.

Adjourned 4:00pm

Next meeting April 13, 2016