

Ojai Valley Neighborhood for Learning (OVNfL) Minutes October 14, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board was held in the OUSD Board Room on 414 E. Ojai Avenue, Ojai, California on October 14, 2015. Ed Guerena, OVNfL Chair Person called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM

Present: Board Members – Ed Guerena,

Deborah Da More, Andrew Cantwell, and

Belinda Chambers Director- Alisha Hicks

Absent: Julie Albright

ROLL CALL

Sign-in sheet in lieu of roll call.

INFORMATION/ DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Hicks began the discussion section with giving a brief overview on the READ Program. She mentioned the new shirts, for those children who have read 100 books or more. She also mentioned that due to this extra motivation we have more families participating this year compared to last year. Ms. Hicks then moved the discussion to the topic of shirts for program and public events as identifiers. She discussed the possibility of using saved donation funds for this use. Ms. Hicks also discussed the mini grants for this current fiscal year. She covered the different mini grant requests so the board could make a decision during the action items. Ms. Hicks then provided information on the Fall Scholarship Breakdown. She noted the added breakdown of the projected hours of programming the child will receive. There was also a notation on the fact that based on area areas codes each is being evenly represented. Ms. Hicks also took the time to provide a map for the Board to see the area that the OVNfL encompasses. Showing the large scale of area provided the board a visual on how large the area OVNfL covers versus population of clientele. Ms. Hicks also discussed the possibility of revamping the OVNfL website due to older information and site map navigation. Updates will be adjusted as time permits for Ms. Hicks and Mr. Guerena. Ms. Hicks also discussed her provided Self – Evaluation. She focused on her upcoming goals as well as milestones for this upcoming year.

MOVE TO CLOSE

SESSION

Close Session Begins 12:40

Program Director Contract Discussion

MOVE TO OPEN SESSION

Open Session Begins 12:53 PM

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION Approved Program Director Salary @ \$61,289 starting November 1, 2015, without retroactive pay. With changes made to budget from suggested changes. Except for continuing funding at original budge for Program Improvement Line Item.

Unanimous 5-0 w/ proxy vote

ACTION ITEMS

a) Mini Grants

Suzie Fitzgerald Request was denied, Ojai Community Preschool Track funding is to be investigated, all other mini grants have been approved. *Motioned Mr. Cantwell and Ms. DaMore 2nd (Board Vote 4-0)*

b) Shirts

Acceptance of Shirts for Events and Professional Representation paid through the use of up to \$400 from donation account.

Motioned Ms. Chambers and Ms. Da More 2nd (Board Vote 4-0)

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Guerena noted the Board would like to see prior to next regular meeting a list of projected changes within the budget to provide information on how possible funding could be moved to compensate a raise in salary of the OVNfL Program Director. Ms. Albright noted that the Board would also like to add goals in the Program Director Self- reflection that would incorporate possible examination of the Oak View Chamber of Commerce. It was also requested to use a different format for the Self-reflection allowing for easier scanning of the document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT

MEETING January 13, 2016

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:59 P.M.

Ms. Da More motioned and Ms. Chambers 2nd (*Board Vote 4-0*)