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The Founders Academy

Feb 15th at 7A Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting was called to order 7:03am

Sean T, Patty H, Rick H, and Maureen M were present

Brenda L arrived late due to accident 7:20a

Kim L - excused

1) Public Comments

Patrice Benard:

- Informed the Board that she will be Blogging the meeting live.
- She was not happy with the High School Information Night.
- Would give all the teachers that presented an F.
- Wished it would have been more public interaction.

2) Review and Approval of Minutes from Jan. Board Meeting

Sean T made a motion to accept the Jan Minute, Patty H 2nd the motion- All in Favor -

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3) Board Business:

- Board Bylaws- Looking for everyone to review the Board Bylaws- There is a need to add a few policies and we need some board members to join the policy committee.
- Roundtable Parent Reps (volunteer group) update-Rick will address the teachers at the next faculty meeting to ask them to recommend a few parents that maybe interested in being a round table rep.
- Advisory Board- Please think of People outside the School that maybe good for the Advisory Board.
- Parent Board Member- Please continue to send Rick H names of parents that may be interested in joining the Board so he can contact them and go over what is expected if appointed

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4) Dean's Report : Dean Mooney started her report by saying that the High school Information Night went well and had not heard any complaints until 10 minutes ago.

Admissions: To date, there are 160 applications in progress for next year. The deadline for applications was January 30, 2017.

Required Placement Exams will take place on March 11 and 18.

1. **Honor Roll:** The second quarter ended on January 20. The following percentages of students made the honor roll: 16.5% made High Honor Roll (A or greater i.e., 94% or higher); 37.2% made Honor Roll (B+ through A- i.e., 87-93%); 12.3% made Honorable Mention (B i.e., 84-86%).
2. **Teacher Assessments:** The third segment of teacher assessments 2017 is one on one meetings with the Dean. Template forms have been distributed to teachers for these meetings. The timeframe for the meetings is in March.
3. **High School Parent Informational Open House:** On February 1, 2017, Mr. Kline led a very informative open house for parents of incoming and prospective parents of high school students.
4. **Lockdown Training:** Officer Linstad of the Manchester Police Department will train teachers on lockdown procedures on February 20.
5. **Front Desk:** Miss Bliss is the long term replacement for the front desk.
6. **Geography Bee:** Mr. Van Ewyk and the History Club hosted a Geography Bee on February 2.
7. **Smarter Balanced Test:** The testing window for 2017 is: March 14 - June 9, 2017. The test is for grades 6, 7 and 8. The Smarter Balanced Subcommittee is coordinating and scheduling the testing.
8. **Website Maintenance:** An independent contractor is now helping with regular website maintenance and updates.
9. **Volunteers of the Month:** Moria Ryan and Maryann Ryan are the Volunteers of the Month for January.
10. **Students of the Quarter:** Students of the Second Quarter are Fiona Hyotte (Middle School) and Jessica Bell (High School). Congratulations to two well dserved students who emulate the Student Code of Conduct.
11. **Musical Concerts and Drama Productions:** Spring Concert, March 14; Band and Chorus Concert, May 30; High School Play "Little Women" TBA, and the New Hampshire Educational Theatre Guild Festival on March 11 at Newfound Regional High School .
12. **Distinguished Visitors:** Tom Raffio, Chairman of the State School Board visited the school on Feb 1 and will visit again on March 17. Dr. Angelico-Hart of the Birches Academy visited on January 23. Judy Tilton of the Compass Classical Academy and Lisa Lavoie of the North Country Charter School are planning visits. First Lady Valerie Sununu is visiting on March 14.

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13. **THANK YOU** to the students and advisers of the Student Senate and House of Representatives, parents who are helping with the Spring Fling on April 8, volunteer substitute teachers, and administrative assistant Lauren Brouillette for help with Best Practices, Job Fair and other tasks.

5) Treasurer's Report: Budget work is going well. Looking good for the March meeting. The Finance Committee will be meeting next week. Time to be determined.

6) Faculty Report :

- Presentation by Mr. Kline: We currently have 17 electives that were proposed from the teachers. They are still receiving feedback from Parents and Students.
- High School Information Night: Had a great turnout and received a lot of good feedback.

7) Committee Reports:

- **Outreach:** There is a new Tab on the website for Outreach. Annual Fund is currently at 13k and there will be a new display in the lobby soon, Rick H stated that the outreach committee was not only set up to fundraise but it is also a place for Parents and School Volunteers to organize school events.

9) Next Meeting March 15th, 2017 at 4:00 PM

Brenda L motioned to adjourn the Meeting, 2nd by Sean. All Approved- Meeting Adjourned

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