

Quest Meeting Minutes 3-12-24

Quest Elementary School, Inc.
Governance Council Regular Meeting

March 12, 2024 @ 5:00pm
In-person - MPQ / Mrs. Johnson's Room

Virtual Option - Google Meet
Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/waq-mchu-wte>

1. Formalities

- 1.1. Call to Order 5:05 PM
- 1.2. Roll Call - Present: Kelly Esala, Meg Hawley, Tom Moniz, Renee Bunge, Sandra Cronin, Jamie Dragolovich,
Absent: Christine Engel, Heather Bubolz, and Lesley Ernst
- 1.3. Affirmation of Public Notice
- 1.4. Statement of the Quest Elementary School Vision: *Quest Charter School provides a rigorous and challenging interdisciplinary curriculum grounded in 21st Century skills leading to a collaborative environment for personalized learning and group engagement.*
- 1.5. Approve Agenda - Motion: Meg, Second: Jamie, Unanimous
- 1.6. Approval of January Minutes Motion: Kelly, Second: Sandy, Unanimous

2. Announcements, Recognition, Public Comments, Special Presentations

2.1. MPQ Principal

- Current principal, Renee Bungee retiring at the end of the 2023-24 school year
- Current Quest teacher, Jessi Johnson will be taking on role as new MPQ principal
- Tom Moniz thanked both Renee and Jessi for their years of service and their dedication to the success of Quest Elementary School
- Current Quest teacher, Janet Ernst will also retire at the end of the school year. There will be interviews for two Quest teaching positions. Jamie Dragolovich will be in on the interviews to represent the Quest Governance Board. The district will also be looking for a new BRAVE coordinator and special education instructional aide

3. Old Business

- 3.1. Literacy Program Update - February Learning Session: Session was held and successful. Teachers got to see literacy in action. Staff will continue their work in April and begin planning forward for next year. With Act 20 taking effect, it will be a big undertaking to meet all literacy requirements. Act 20 focuses on kindergarten through grade 3, but 4th and 5th teachers will also go through training in order to continue the work the district will be doing. It will take a couple years of training, but is state mandated.

3.2. Project Showcase Debrief - Project showcase was successful and was well-received by students and their families. It was great to see students owning their data/learning/goals. Approximately \$1400 was find-raised by the raffle basket auction

3.3. Quest School Choice / Lottery (March 7th) - School Choice Lottery was held last week. Data showed approximately a half and half split for incoming 3rd graders. Renee reported less response from families than in previous years with only a 64% return rate. Renee contacted all remaining families. A total of 43 numbers were pulled for the lottery, with additional students qualifying due to being grandfathered in or being twins/siblings (7 kids automatically get in) There was discussion of a possible impact to Quest due to changes with Barlow Park/Journey.

4. Reports

4.1. Principal - Current focus is on state testing with grades 3/5 test four days and grade 4 testing six to seven days

4.2. Teacher Reports - The last showcase night and cookout will take place on May 23rd. We will talk more at the next meeting about these. Volunteer information will be sent out prior to the meeting. The final spring wellness day of the school year will be May 17th

4.3. Council / Member Reports - None

5. New Business

6. Next meeting - Tuesday, May 14, 2024 - 5pm at MPQ Johnson's room, virtual option

7. Adjournment 5:30