

**MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING FOR  
THE JOHN C. DUNHAM STEM PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL  
November 4, 2014**

**John C. Dunham STEM Partnership School  
Easley Education Center  
405 S. Gladstone Avenue  
Aurora, IL 60506  
Meeting started at 12:00 p.m.**

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Dr. Mike Popp, Dr. Jeff Craig, Dr. Sherry Eagle, Dr. Karen Sullivan  
Also Present: Ms. Christine Crouch, Dr. Rebecca Sherrick, and two parents.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Dr. Craig and seconded by Dr. Popp that the Board approve the minutes of the July 29, 2014 Governing Board Meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by Dr. Popp and seconded by Dr. Craig that the Board approve the minutes of the October 22, 2014 Meeting of the Boards. Motion carried.

**III. Approval of Bill Listings for July, August and September**

It was moved by Dr. Sullivan and seconded by Dr. Craig that the Board approve the Bill Listings for July, August, and September.

Discussion: Dr. Sullivan asked that a listing of all STEM school employees be provided to the Board which includes FTE. Dr. Eagle indicated that she would provide that to the Board.

Roll Call Vote: Yea—Dr. Popp, Dr. Craig, Dr. Sullivan, Dr. Eagle  
Motion carried.

**IV. Discussion of Open Meeting Protocol**

Discussion was held regarding the Open Meetings Act and the ability to have the collaborative conversations between the Superintendents and Aurora University for planning and day to day operations. The Board discussed whether other governing options may be looked at for the future. Dr. Eagle will work with the AU attorney concerning some other possibilities and bring the information to the Board.

**V. Discussion of Student Discipline Process and Procedures**

Discussion was held to clarify the student discipline process and procedures and the need for a point person from each district however, the Director needs to keep consistency in practice for all students. The school will keep each district well aware of any issues. The districts will reaffirm their point person for contact regarding student discipline.

**VI. Discussion of Approving a Fourth School District Partner**

Dr. Eagle presented letters of interest to join the partnership from both the Batavia and Kaneland school districts. Discussion centered on the options of including one or both districts given the capacity of the school is 200. Dr. Eagle discussed the vision of moving the curriculum and experiences beyond the school and creating a learning community around STEM in the Aurora community, AU expressed interest in expanding to other districts. Superintendents will be getting direction from their school boards. Dr. Eagle will provide some future cost data to share with our boards. Discussion will continue at a future Board meeting.

**VII. Discussion of Proposed Staff**

Discussion centered on the need to post for Director of the STEM School for the next school year. Dr. Eagle suggested that we discuss this a special meeting. A meeting was set for Monday, November 24 at 2:30 p.m.

**VIII. Discussion of Evaluation Plan**

Discussion centered on the assessments being used at the school.

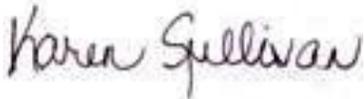
**IX. Discussion of School Fees**

Dr. Eagle brought up the topic of each district providing our school registration fees to the STEM school. The Superintendents indicated that the registration fees are part of their operating expense dollar figure and that their interpretation of the school fee section of the governing agreement (page 8 of 23i) was for additional fees that might be needed at the STEM school. This will need to be discussed as next year's budget is developed.

**X. Motion to Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dr. Popp and seconded by Dr. Craig. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Karen Sullivan, Ed.D.

Governing Board Secretary

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