

Minutes of Governing Board Meeting held July 20 at Na Wai Ola PCS

Meeting was called to order at 5:45PM. Quorum was established.

Chair reported on his efforts to obtain funding for school facilities and asked board members to help in this ongoing effort.

Board Secretary agreed to get and forward information on how to form a 501C3 non profit corporation to all board members.

Board discussed grant scenarios, particularly need to get a facilities grant. Chair agreed to speak with representative from the church which the school rents classroom space from regarding potential purchase of that property.

Directors report was read by board secretary: Current enrollment is at 198 with 21 on waiting list. PreSchool enrollment was reported to be 14, but Lore corrected that count to 17. Re: facilities: new modular classroom is scheduled to be moved to site July 27, and another 4 weeks are projected to get it student ready. Water and electric needs to be brought to building.

All classrooms have been painted and are ready for occupancy. Some teachers are in classrooms that will change once the modular is ready for occupancy. Permitting for the modular is being coordinated through county planning dept. Mr. Caluya is presently in Honolulu getting the lease contract signed.

Secretary mentioned that the board has still not seen the actual specific contract, just a generic one. The issue of whether or not the lessor will allow us to make modifications to the modular in order to make it fit requirements for PreK (ie, small toilets) was brought up by the secretary, noting that the generic lease contract states no modifications can be made without the express written consent of the lessor. She suggested that if the lessor does not agree to these modifications, we need to consider a plan B, which is that the modular be occupied by grades 3, 4 and 5, with PreK in the gym classroom (already approved).

Status of HSTA supplemental teacher contract: only remaining board members still to sign the approved contract are the director and the school HSTA rep Stephanie Albornoz.

Preschool preparations: Pre School was approved to be in the gym classroom, which is where it will start. The DHS inspection of the modular for use as PreSchool still has to be done. Board chair will call person in charge (Ward) to see if he will do a preliminary inspection of the modular classroom on site at Kea'au.)

New board members needed for next SY: 4 parent reps, 1 staff rep, and from among these a new treasurer and vice chair need to be selected.

Governing board member of the year is Lore Makawai, who will receive an award for her outstanding service at the staff retreat.