

James Madison Charter Academy
MINUTES of the Board of Directors
April 28, 2008

- Call to Order** I. Mrs. McNelly, Board of Director's Secretary, called the meeting to order at 5:54 PM.
- Roll Call** I-A Board of Directors Members Present:
Mrs. Kathy McNelly, Mr. Donald Staton, and Mrs. Vernell Murphy. Mrs. Stewart arrived at 6:18 PM.
- Pledge to Flag** I-B Pledge of Allegiance
- Executive Session** Called at 5:57 PM, ended at 6:05 PM.
- Open Meeting** Called to order again at 7:24 PM. In addition to above roll call names, Dr. Anne Shearer-Shineman, JMCA Principal, and Mrs. Donna Smith, Administrations Manager, were also present.
- Recurrent Business** A. March 17, 2008 Minutes were approved. Motion by Mrs. McNelly, second by Mr. Staton. All aye.
- B. January 28, 2008 Minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Staton, second by Mrs. Murphy. All aye.
- C. February 25, 2008 minutes are tabled until typed in proper form.
- D. Upcoming Activities: Presented by Dr. Shearer-Shineman. Kindergarten and First Grade will have a zoo field trip soon: the same grades also have a music program coming up.
- Third and Fourth Grades will have a Band and Music presentation.
- Field Day will be May 16 at Windmill Mesa Park.
- Awards Banquet and Pizza Party will be May 21.
- Another Chuck E. Cheese Fundraiser will be May 22
- E. Principal's Report: Presented by Dr. Shearer-Shineman.
- The Spring MAP is complete except make-ups.
- May 7 will be a Data Workshop on last year's CSAP's, this year's DIBEL's, MAP, Writing prompts and Everyday Math assessment.

Teachers are completing charts to put on Excel to analyze with Alpine.

Initial CSAP results, for third grade reading only, will come out May 1. Dr. Shearer-Shineman states "we will be pleased." The complete results will be published later this summer.

New students continue to be assessed for next school year. It is going well, and all grades K-8 are involved.

Opportunity for the Public to be Heard

A. Chulee Morrow had a question about where 8th grade will be placed next year. Dr. Shearer-Shineman replied there will probably be a 7th and 8th grade combination, but the enrollment numbers are still not determined.

B. Larry Marcus asked about classroom numbers for next year. Is it 20 or 22? Class size will be at 20, but 22 may be enrolled, due to the trend of students, moving, dropping out, etc. It was stated that the enrolled number for next year stands at 179.5. Kindergarten counts as .5. This year is at 144.

Committee Reports

BAAC sent out Parent Surveys, results will be presented next month.

There may be a site plan issue; Department of Transportation and the school will be working on land acquisition.

Grants are being worked on with Parent help.

PTO Report presented by Kristy Marcus.

The candle fundraiser is completed with the La-Tee-Da company. Profit will be \$4,118.00. Grounds and Playground will get \$1,647.20, Imagine It Reading Program will get \$1,647.20, and \$822.60 will go into the PTO fund. The candles will arrive in about two weeks.

Field Day is all taken care of, per PTO.

PTO voting will be next meeting, May 8 at 6:30 PM. Parents have already been notified. Eight seats are open because all seats are one year terms.

Teacher Appreciation Week is coming.

PFO will host a Pizza Party at the end of school.

**Recommended
Actions**

A. ACT ON Approval of March 2008 Budget. Mrs. Smith recommends that we ratify the month's expenditures. Motion by Mr. Staton, second by Mrs. Murphy. All aye.

B. RECEIVED ITEMS: Recommendations one and two from Dr. Shearer-Shineman. Also update/corrected policies are received.

C. ACT ON Approval of February 2008 Budget. Mrs. Smith recommends that we ratify the month's expenditures. Motion by Mr. Staton, second by Mrs. Murphy. All aye.

Next Board Meeting: Monday, May 12 at 6:00 PM to discuss Teacher contracts and non-renewals of students

Adjournment VI. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.