

**MOT Charter School
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC SESSION**

M I N U T E S

**December 18, 2007
MOT Charter School – Library**

Call to Order at 7:30 pm.

Present members:

Lou Savino
Morris Deputy

Linda Jennings
Chris Sharp

Agenda Adopted as presented.

Minutes approved as submitted.

Head of School Report

- Administration continues to attend Vision 2015 meetings. Upcoming training will center around what teacher's responsibilities are and how administration is monitoring and helping this. Data is being collected as homework. The next phase instruction team is "focus". The Vision 2015 goal is student achievement by 50% from where they presently are. Vision 2015 will begin including members of the teaching staff beginning January 31, 2008.
- DSCN Brochure – Charter schools educate more minority students and have higher qualified teachers than district schools.
- The state would like the new math screening to be in place by January. The new screening is built around the *TURK & Trailblazer* math curriculums.
- One kindergarten student will be skipped to the second grade based on portfolio in the fall of 2008.
- Response to Intervention (RTI) – Some students are over or under identified (tiered intervention process). Everyone is scanned per subject.
- Janine Bachman is overseeing a *Bank at School* implementation where students in grades 3 -5 will be able to open checking accounts here at school and deposit money. Eventually we would like to implement this among all grades. This program is run by the University of Delaware.
- A parent expressed concerns about food allergies. Decision made to educate students about peanut and other severe allergies.
- The gymnasium is projected for completion in the fall of 2008. It is to be modeled off the St. Elizabeth's Center – Tetra Tech.
- Teaching staff will continue to be assessed for instruction by Miggs and Elaine during periodic walk-throughs.
- The courtyard has been completed and top soil is being set around the edges.
- There was such a great turn out at the second evening (younger grades) of Fine Arts Night that no standing room was available. Still attempting to determine a solution for this the next time around.
- The MOT spirit team took first place in dancing at this year's holiday parade.

Public Comment

No public comment

Old Business

Furniture has been ordered and will be installed in front office over winter break.
Looking for volunteers to install new security measures.
Natural gas conversion is complete.

New Business

None

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 pm.

The next Public Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008, at 7:30 pm at MOT Charter.