

Charter/Choice Programming Committee

“The charge of this committee is to provide guidance and recommendations to the School Board, relating to its role as authorizer of current and future ECASD Charter/Choice Schools. This will encourage innovation that could increase our ability to provide diverse programming and methodologies. Through this investigation and advisement the committee can support the increase in student readiness for and success in ECASD programming and post-secondary options.”

Meeting Recorder: Sandy LaValley

Committee Norms: Honest & open dialogue

Committee Members Present & Position/Employee Group

Derick Black, Secondary Teacher	Doug Diermeier, McKinley
Melissa Greer, Elementary Teacher	Gail Halmstad, Ad Hoc Member
Jeremy Harrison, CV Montessori	Todd Johnson, CVM Principal/Co-Chair
Mike Kohls, McKinley	Tim Leibham/District Office Admin
Pete Riley/McKinley Head of Instruction/Co-Chair	

Absent: Tracy Bush, Chris Hambuch-Boyle, Mike Kohls, and Rich Spindler

1. Policy Update

Tim Leibham shared the revised Charter/Choice Programming Committee Policy after being reviewed twice by the Policy & Governance Committee (attached). Due to a lengthy Board Meeting on December 7th, it was decided to table the review to the December 21st Board Meeting. Commissioner Charles Vue felt the policy deserved more time for discussion.

2. Innovating Schools Network (ISN) National Conference Attendance

Travel/hotel arrangements will be made for the following committee members to attend the ISN National Conference in the WI Dells April 27 – 29, 2016:

Tracy Bush, Todd Johnson, Tim Leibham and Pete Riley. Jeremy Harrison is tentative at this point.

3. Innovation Zone Communication Plan

Tim Leibham distributed a draft of the structure/communication plan. Pete shared the news story covered by WQOW where Dave Oldenberg was interviewed giving the impression more “innovative” academic services may happen in the school district.

The committee discussed an application/approval process and format as well as establishing a budget and connections in the community. The Innovative Schools Network (ISN) website suggested a one page application. Attached to the minutes is the draft document, “Initial Innovation Zone Proposal,” which includes steps when submitting a proposal. The committee will continue to work on this and the

performance agreement for the January meeting. The Board, however, would make the final decision.

Basically, an interested staff would explain the proposal using the guiding questions with a components rubric. They would include a mission and purpose. Once the committee decides to pursue something, we could assign a coach that would help with more detail. Ad Hoc members can be added to the committee. (Joel Dimock has been invited by Tim Leibham.)

4. **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, January 12, 2016, at 4pm in Room 123B.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.