

I Can Do Anything Charter High School
Annual Meeting of the Governing Board

May 16, 2007 - 5:30 p.m.

ICDA Library – Main Campus
1195 Corporate Blvd., Ste. C Reno NV 89502

1. Call to Order: Board Chairperson, Rose Gordon, called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Board members Rick Graver, Shirley Thomas, and Lori Wright were present. Board Chairperson, Rose Gordon was also present. Members Shonna Ballingham and Vice Chairperson Ed Hendricks were absent. Also in attendance were: Jill Wells-Principal, Allen Beebe-Assistant Principal, Toni Arell-Executive Assistant, Ann Windle-Accountant, teachers Mike Patterson and Dawn Gilmore, and from The Bridge Center, Marc Deal and Nicole Mara.
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Chairperson, Rose Gordon led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. May 16, 2007 Agenda: Rick Graver moved to take the agenda items out of order. Shirley Thomas seconded. The motion passed, unanimously.

Ms. Wells introduced Marc Deal and Nicole Mara from The Bridge Center. The two shared brochures of the facility with the board, and explained the educational services they offer to the children in residential treatment. There are more than 400 families currently receiving assistance; the center is the largest therapeutic provider for Social Services. The Bridge Center plans to open a 100-bed ranch in Quincy in November, 2007; another 240-bed residential facility is slated to open this summer. Mr. Deal and Ms. Mara left the meeting after their presentation.

5. Chairperson's Comments: Ms. Gordon had no comments.
6. Principal's Comments: See attached handout. 1) The Bridge Center: Jill said that there is a possibility that ICDA could assume the educational services. John Barker recommended that the board review Bridges' financial audit before a decision is made. He also expressed concern that the students in residential treatment would miss too much class time because they would be in therapy, resulting in low test scores, therefore AYP would not be met. 2) Ms. Wells told the board of the meeting on May 16th with Charter Communications. She said that all the "players" were there to discuss the Charter project. 3) Graduation: 35-40 students will graduate on June 1, 2007. 4) Charter School Council: Ms. Wells recommended to the board that ICDA decline participation.
7. April 18, 2007 Minutes: John Barker moved to approve the April 18, 2007 Minutes. Rick Graver seconded. The motion passed, unanimously.
8. Assistant Principal's Comments: 1) Mr. Beebe reported that the May HSPE's are completed. The next test date is in July. 2) Mini-blinds have been purchased and will be installed in all the west-facing classrooms. 3) Mr. Beebe thanked the board for all the hard work they do for ICDA.
9. Facilities Committee Comments: Jill Wells commented that bill AB591 is still before the Nevada Legislature - addressing a change in charter law, including facilities funding.
10. Financial Report: Accountant, Ann Windle distributed the financial statements for May 16, 2007 (see attached).
11. Dinner Break: Rick Graver made a motion at 6:45 p.m. to take a 15-minute break. Lori Wright seconded; the motion passed, unanimously. For dinner, the board ate food traditionally served in the

ICDA student store, Café Olé, and were served by attendant, Ron Robbins. John Barker made a motion to reconvene at 7:10 p.m., Lori Wright seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.

12. Correction to 2006-2007 Augmented Budget: (See attached) Ann Windle explained to the board that it is necessary to put funds in Instructional Supplies, to add Summer School and Snack Bar to the budget. Rick Graver made a motion to accept the corrections to the 2006-07 Augmented Budget. Lori Wright seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
13. Governing By-laws: Rick Graver made a motion to accept the bylaws with the noted amendments (see attached). John Barker seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
14. Board Meeting Dates: Rick Graver made a motion to accept the 2007-2008 Board Meeting dates (see attached). Lori Wright seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
15. 2007-08 Board Goals and Objectives: The board members established that ICDA, with the assistance and support of the board would increase effectiveness in: 1) Fundraising; 2) Student enrollment; 3) Community awareness; 4) Compliance with NCLB; 5) Initiative affecting legislature, and; 6) Providing a safe and positive learning environment. John Barker made a motion to accept the goals and objectives for 2007-08. Rick Graver seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
16. 2006-07 Board Performance Evaluation: Rick Graver made a motion to approve the 2006-07 Board Performance Evaluation (see attached). Shirley Thomas seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
17. Nevada Charter School Council: John Barker commented that the council is currently being spearheaded by a small group, and that because of the structure, there could be problems in the future. Rick Graver made a motion to table any action at this time. Shirley Thomas seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
18. Hiring an Additional Administrator: John Barker stated that the current ICDA administration has huge schedules; that the legislature needs to be addressed; administration needs to be a political force. "We need to get the administration involved in the big picture. The Interim Education Committee is up in two years – we only have a small window of time to advocate for charter schools." Mr. Barker declared that the administration and board are being forced into the position of politician – it is unpleasant.
19. Public Comment: Mike Patterson, ICDA teacher, recommended that if hired, the dean should not be a part-time position. He stated that his recommendation is based on safety; he has had situations where kids were in possession of weapons, and it was nice to have someone on the other side of the phone when he called for help.
20. Additional Admin (continued): Rick Graver asked where does the dean come from (A: in-house), how much will it cost (A: regular salary), and how will this position affect the organization chart (A: status quo). John Barker made a motion to reinstate the Dean of Students position, only to be filled when it can be funded (DSA). Rick Graver seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
21. Election of 2007-08 Board of Directors: Rick Graver made a motion to approve Rose Gordon, Chairperson; Ed Hendricks, Vice Chairperson; Lori Wright, Secretary; and Shirley Thomas, Treasurer. Lori Wright seconded; the motion passed, unanimously.
22. Adjournment – 8:15 p.m.: Lori Wright made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shirley Thomas seconded; the motion carried, unanimously.