

Governance Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2014

Attendance: Ann Marie Roder, Sean Koster, Mike Reed, Bob Zarriello, Doug McGuire, Marcus Mianulli

Agenda:

1. Election Timeline
2. Homebound Instruction Policy
3. Part Time Instruction – needs to be added to Attendance Policy
4. Additional Business

Notes:

1. Election Timeline:
 - A Beacon Academy Board Election Timeline that was created in 2007 was shared with the group. It was noted that by January 10th of **each year**, Beacon Academy teachers need to decide if they are going to pursue a teacher majority. If they choose to let go of their teacher majority we must notify our Authorizer by January 17th.
 - The document announcing school board elections has been updated with all the important dates for this year's election. The document will be going to the school board on March 20th for approval and will be emailed to families on March 21st.
2. Homebound Instruction Policy:
 - We need to have a policy for students receiving homebound instruction. A sample policy was found from the Minnetonka School District. We agreed that this policy would also work for us with some additional wording from the MARSS manual.
3. Part Time Instruction – addition to Attendance Policy #503
 - This policy needs to have wording added for students that receive part time instruction at Beacon Academy. Specifically it needs to state that we need a note from a doctor or IEP team that sets the parameters of the instruction with a time table.
 - It was also suggested we add that a student under this section can participate in after school activities with written permission from a doctor or IEP team.
4. Additional Business: Mike Reed brought a suggestion from a board member pertaining to Article IV section 2 of the by-laws that pertains to the number of board members. The suggestion was to state a parameter for the number of parents that should serve on the board. The committee thought this should be a board level discussion and a directive should come from the board to look into this.