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Minutes School Board Meeting April 25, 2016 5:00 pm

Location: 2600 E. 38th Street Minneapolis, Minnesota 55406 Lower Level

Attendance: Wendy Hines, Ananyia Joseph, Carr Kpanyor, Dorothy Richburg, Beryl Wingate

Staff: B. Charvez Russell, Detrica Chukwu-Lewis

- I. Call to Order- Meeting called to order by board chair at 5:26 PM
- II. Approval of Agenda- motion to approve agenda (DR, CK) approval unanimous
- III. Minutes [3/28/16]- motion to approve (CK, AJ) approval unanimous; 1 abstention (DR)
- IV. Authorizer Communications- MDE has approved our authorizer of Pillsbury as of July 1, 2016
- V. Financial Update
 - a. Financial Report-Will be contacting Bremer Bank and Associated Bank to move funds to meet FDIC; We should be at 75% of the budget. Healthy fund balance. Will be looking into collateral agreement with Associated Bank. Will be billing for Title Funds. Final Revised Budget in May along with 2016-2017 budget. Motion to approve financial report (CK, BW) approval unanimous
- VI. Reports
 - a. Executive Director- Dr. Russell gave his report (written narrative included with board package)
 - i. School Calendar- final draft to be presented at next board meeting; Motion to approve calendar with adjustment of October date (BW, DR) approval unanimous
 - b. Academic Director-
- VII. **Contracts**
 - a. Lake City Mechanical- table to next meeting
 - b. Lemon Tree Consultants- motion to approve (CK, AJ) approval unanimous
- VIII. **Expansion- see ED report**
- IX. **Strategic Plan**
 - a. Engaging Students-Field Day-May 27th, Art Day- May 19th, possibly have students from student council participate in a board meeting
- X. **Other Requested Action- Board Elections**
 - Evaluation of Director- need to set goal and annual staff development plan

XI. Committee Reports

- A. Marketing Committee- did not meet
 - B. Fundraising Committee- did not meet
 - C. Governance Committee- current attorney is retiring and we need to look for another one
 - D. Executive Committee – did not meet
- XII. Next Meeting- May 23, 2016 @ 5:00 PM
- XIII. Adjournment of Board Meeting – Motion to adjourn @ 7:32 (BW, AJ) approval unanimous