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Agenda
School Board Meeting Minutes
August 24, 2015
5:00 pm

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

Attendance: Wendy Hines, Dorothy Richburg, Brenda Hill, Ananyasia Joseph, Carr Kpanyor, Steven Belton

Staff: B. Charvez Russell, Nell Collier, Mary Riley

- I. Call to Order –meeting called to order at 5:11 P.M. by board chair
- II. Approval of Agenda-motion to approve agenda with addition of c. Resolution to remove restriction on funds used as collateral to borrow funds (AJ, BH) approval unanimous
- III. Minutes [080315] -motion to approve minutes from 8/03/2015 as written (BH, DR) approval unanimous; two abstentions (AJ, CK)
- IV. Authorizer Communications-none at this time
- V. Financial Update –
 - a. Financial Report- financials are right on target at this time. Motion to accept the financials as presented (BH, CK) approval unanimous
 - b. Resolution to transfer funds to the food service fund from the general fund
 - c. Resolution to remove restriction on funds used as collateral to borrow funds- Motion to approve resolution to transfer funds from general fund to food service fund and resolution to remove restriction on funds used as collateral to borrow funds (DR, SB) approval unanimous
- VI. Reports –
 - a. Executive Director- Had a great first day of school. Feels confident in Lancer, the new food vendor. Enrollment as of Friday, August 21 was 169. There is currently a waiting list for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades. Will continue with enrichment program. Will include EA's in trainings to ensure everyone is more involved. Excellent parent involvement kickoff.
 - b. Academic Director-noneMotion to approve Executive Director's report (SB, BH) approval unanimous
- VII. Contracts**
 - a. Heart of the Dance
 - b. Hawman
 - c. Alma Langley-Ward
 - d. June Pierce Dance
 - e. Mary DybvigMotion to approve contracts a-e (SB, BH) approval unanimous

SWAG contract-Motion to accept contract of SWAG with terms (3 days/week with a different grade each trimester at a rate of \$6,000 for the school year) read to the board; based on Executive Director recommendation, and as a returning vendor with whom we were satisfied with their services. (SB, BH) approval unanimous

VIII. Other Requested Actions

- A. Appointment of B. Charvez Russell as “Identified Official With Authority”
- B. Authority for B. Charvez Russell to sign board authorized contracts in behalf of Friendship Academy of the Arts

Motion to appoint B. Charvez Russell as “Identified Official With Authority” and authority for B. Charvez Russell to sign board authorized contracts on behalf of Friendship Academy of the Arts (SB, BH) approval unanimous

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Marketing Committee-Executed Marketing Plan and will continuously work on recruitment. Plan to start working on Kindergarten Round Up in February. Work on relationships with St. Paul community. Would like to increase the number of students in the St. Paul area to at least 20 within the next two years. Continue to update website with current information. Looking to better track how families have found FAA.
- B. Fundraising Committee- has not met. Grant was submitted on today to Minneapolis Foundation for \$100K
- C. Governance Committee-has not met
- D. Executive Committee –has not met

X. Other Items

XI. Next Meeting – Monday, September 28, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.

XII. Adjournment of Board Meeting- Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:38 P.M. (SB, BH) approval unanimous

*Submitted by: Ananyia Joseph
Ananyia Joseph, Sec.*