

LIONSGATE ACADEMY
District #4183
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 15, 2012 6:00pm

Lionsgate Academy 3420 Nevada Avenue N. Crystal, MN 55427

ATTENDEES: Ron Berger, Brandy Dougherty, Meta Pautsch, Bob Radspinner, Jonathan Scharlau, Joan Steinmann, Meg Fuller. Others: Stan Hacker, Director

OTHER: Diane Halpin, Margaret Olivier, Nicole Cleland, Joe Falkner-Clinical Director

School Mission Statement:

The mission of Lionsgate Academy is to provide a transition-oriented and personalized learning program focused on secondary high-functioning students on the autism spectrum that supports their full potential, participation, and self-determination within their school, family, and community.

To this end, Lionsgate Academy will create an educational environment that will model best instructional practice and research-based techniques so that the graduates will--to the fullest extent possible--live independently, be involved in further education or gainful employment and develop meaningful relationships with others.

Closed Meeting:

Call to Order: 6:12pm by Ron Berger, Chair

Discussed personnel issues on salary increases, staff contracts and staff not returning to Lionsgate.

Motion to Adjourn: 6:27pm by Ron Berger, Chair

Open Meeting:

Call to order: 6: 35pm, by Ron Berger, Chair

Approval of the agenda: Bob, 2nd by Meg

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: Bob, 2nd Brandy

1. Model:

a. Student Individual Learning Plans

i. Survey update:

1. Staff survey was released last week
2. Parents and student surveys will be released next week

2. Business:

a. Director's Report-Stan

i. See LGA Organizational Chart 2012-2013 handout.

1. Reviewed and discussed the leadership team and new supervisor model

ii. MCA testing is complete and are currently NWEA/MAP testing.

b. Approve SBS Contract

Motion: Move to approve School Business Solutions contract.			
Made by: Jonathan		Seconded by: Bob	
Discussion:			
Vote:	Yea: 6	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

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- c. 2013 Budget approval
 - i. Space for AIM
 - 1. Apartment is no longer available because of zoning regulations.
 - 2. Stan and Jonathan will be meeting Friday with the church to discuss different options and to see where the church is at with this.

Motion: Move to approve Fiscal 2012-2013 Budget.			
Made by: Jonathan		Seconded by: Joan	
Discussion: None			
Vote:	Yea: 6	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

- d. Foundation Update-Jonathan
 - i. Preliminary results around \$20,000, does not include corporate matching grants or pledges.
 - ii. Adding parent members to the board
 - iii. Keep Foundation Board and School Board separate, staff members will be moved of the Foundation.
 - 1. School Building search process-due diligence
 - 2. Hire someone to staff the fundraising and grant writing for the Foundation

- e. Committee Reports
 - i. Legislative update-200 student ceiling for the 90% was signed and passed this session.
 - ii. Governance-Joan
 - 1. Policy review will begin this summer.
 - 2. Look at adding a member from the newly elected members.
 - 3. Election update
 - a. Electronic voting went well, very little walk-ins.
 - b. Would like to revisit using the same company next year, were not very supported.

 - iii. Finance-Chris
 - 1. MDE update
 - a. Withdrew all Federal money from SERVS and job fund
 - b. 1500 out of Title II
 - c. MDE still owes us \$210,000
 - i. Confident that MDE will pay us on May 30th.

2. April Financial Report

- a. Will need to draw \$500,000 from Venture Bank and will automatically be drawn

Motion: Move to approve April Financials 2012			
Made by: Jonathan		Seconded by: Joan	
Discussion: See financial dash board and handout.			
Vote:	Yea: 6	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

- b. Phil Hatlie will be coming in from Non-Profit 300,000 once Venture Bank is depleted

Motion: Move to authorize Chris Wood, Business Manager, to sign the contract with Non-Profit Assistance Fund for \$300,000 line of credit.			
Made by: Jonathan		Seconded by: Bob	
Discussion: See financial dash board and handout.			
Vote:	Yea: 6	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

- f. Set Strategic Planning Date for Friday, June 22, 2012
g. Review: June board meeting agenda

Comments from Community Members

Motion to Adjourn: 7:34pm by Bob, 2nd by Jonathan

Next Meeting: June 19, 2012, 6:00 PM

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