

LIONSGATE ACADEMY
 District #4183
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2017, 6:00 pm
 Lionsgate Academy 5605 Green Cir Dr, Minnetonka, MN 55343

TO: Jim Harms, Sarah Hauer, Amy Kunkel, Emy Bachman, Steve Sawyer, Liz Wielinski, Hannah Betz, and Laura Cottington.
 Others: Diane Halpin, Executive Director; Ryan Rehnstrand, Special Education Director; Ron Berger, Director of Finance & Operations; Angie Bennett, Director of Human Resources; Brandy Schwab, Principal, Lionsgate East

FROM: Ali Thorstad, Chair

Call to order: Ali Thorstad, Chair **6:01**

School Mission Statement:

The mission of Lionsgate Academy is to foster self-determination by providing a transitions-focused, personalized learning program for all students, specializing in educating students with autism spectrum disorders.

Comments from Community Members: Public Comment is an open forum portion of the meeting and is an opportunity to present an issue, concern, or other statement to the Board of Directors. Individuals wishing to address the Board must sign up prior to the Call to Order and will be allotted three (3) minutes. Total public comment will be limited to twenty one (21) minutes. **None.**

Conflict of Interest Declaration - None

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Move to approve agenda.			
Made by: Wielinski		Seconded by: Bachman	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 8	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Model:

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes 8-15-2017
- b. Governance Committee Report
- c. Approval of Policies
 - i. ~~901 Enrollment Policy~~
 - 1. 901 pulled at a Community Member request for language clarification
 - ii. Policy 608 Gender Inclusion

Motion: Move to approve consent agenda.			
Made by: Cottington		Seconded by: Wielinski	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 8	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

- 2. **Special Education Update-** Ryan Rehnstrand
 - a. Synergy program does not allow for IEPs, so new software program being implemented.
 - b. MDE site visit on January 31st, and will split time between the two campuses.
 - i. They will be interviewing teachers, admin, and possibly a board member.
 - ii. Ten files to be reviewed between Oct. and Jan.
 - c. MASE Association – Rehnstrand is on the Transportation Committee.
- 3. **Strategic Planning Update-** Brandy Schwab
 - a. Presented on ELA standards- Reading and Writing
 - i. District wide across all subjects
 - ii. Being measured by authorizer
- 4. **Business**
 - 1. Director’s Report-Dr. Restorff
 - i. Bachman’s – met with them as a potential volunteer site for our transition students
 - 1. Toured Bachman’s with discussion about partnering students for job training.
 - ii. Student Achievement
 - 1. NWEA-MAP testing going well and almost complete
 - 2. ADM low due to PSEO
 - a. Adding new students in 8th and 11th grade
 - b. AIM has openings
 - iii. LGA East
 - 1. Info meetings held 9/23 and 9/30
 - 2. On-site enrollment on 10/28
 - iv. Staffing
 - 1. HR Director position is posted
 - 2. Mental Health position
 - 3. Rachel Boyack hired as Principal for GCD
 - v. ACT Exam
 - 1. Legislature requires districts to provide, but funding ended last year.
 - 2. Fees will now be administered to take the exam, waived for families who can’t afford the fees.
 - 2. Foundation Update – Sarah Hauer
 - i. Looking for breakfast lead
 - ii. Staff member has volunteered to help with video
 - iii. Looking for new members
 - iv. New plan for strategic planning
 - 3. Committee Reports
 - i. Governance
 - 1. Policy 901 – Community member wanted clarification. Wording added to include gender identity and foster children.

Motion: To approve Policy 901 Enrollment			
Made by: Wielinski		Seconded by: Hauer	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 8	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

2. Board Self Evaluation
 - a. Reviewed as a whole
 - b. Added tasks
 - c. Will complete another section next meeting
3. Annual Strategic Planning Meeting – January 6th, 8:00 a.m., plan on six hours

ii. Finance

1. Committee Update
 - a. Reviewed cash position
 - b. No MDE issues
 - c. Statements reviewed and sent to board
2. Financials
 - a. Reviewed financial statements.

Motion: Move to approve financials.			
Made by: Sawyer		Seconded by: Wielinski	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 8	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

iii. Building

1. Site plan has been submitted to the city of Shoreview
2. Full capacity will be 200 students

iv. Executive Director Evaluation

1. Process reviewed
2. Check-ins during the year desired

5. Review: October’s Board Meeting agenda

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion: Move to adjourn at 7:27			
Made by: Sawyer		Seconded by: Wielinski	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 8	Nay: 0	Abstain: 0

Next Meeting: October 17, 2017, 6:00 p.m. North St. Paul Campus