



MINNESOTA EXCELLENCE IN LEARNING ACADEMY

Minnesota Excellence in Learning Academy December 10, 2020 Board Meeting

1. Record Attendance and Guests:

- a. Board Members: Joseph Scherer, Julie Eduputa, Emily Johnson, David Sundstrom, Tomika Jackson-Davis, Paula Barros, Malai Turnbull (Absent)
Guests: Antonio Zambrano, Danielle Fields, Mick Dudero

2. Call the Meeting to Order:

- a. Joseph Scherer called the meeting to order at 5: 02

3. Public Forum

- a. NA

4. Approval of the Agenda: David moved. Emily seconded. Unanimously accepted.

5. Approval of the Prior Board Meeting minutes (October 8, 2020) David moved. Paula seconded. Unanimously accepted.

6. Operations Report

a. Financial Report

- i. October. November financials
 - 1. Our 186 ADM Our budget is based on 230
 - a. Covid 19- many families choosing to homeschool
 - 2. \$251,000 still being withheld
 - 3. Revenue 42% of what we budgeted
 - 1. Motion to accept the October/ November Financial Packet FY 2020. Emily moved. David seconded. Unanimously accepted

b. Director of Operations Report

- i. Review of Board Policies Discussion
 - 1. Take time bimonthly to revise policies
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 - 2. Copy for review of 8.4 Health and Safety Policy
 - 3. Copy for Review of Policy 4.6.2 Bloodborne Pathogen sharing
 - 4. Copy for Review of Policy 4.8.1 Use of Internet, Email, Computers, Voicemail and Other Electronic Systems
 - 5. Copy for Review of Policy 4.8.2 Employee Use of Social Media and Guidelines
 - 6. Copy for Review of Policy 1.1.1 Statement of Mission

7. Distinctive schools update



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- a. NA
- 8. Board of Directors Update**
 - a. Evaluation for Executive Director
 - i. Discussion- framed as growth not a gotcha approach
 - ii. BOD will share with Board members
- 9. Executive Director Report**
 - a. Executive Director Academic Update
 - i. Scored of DRA, Fall MAP, ESGI(Prek)
 - 1. Huge focus on small group instruction
 - 2. Teachers are seeing large gains in reading
 - 3. Looking forward to February data
 - b. Strategic Plan Working Doc
 - i. Look at and give feedback to Ms. Fields
 - c. School Board Elections update
 - i. All members reelected
 - d. Travel Policy as it pertains to Covid 19
 - i. Do we want one as a school board?
 - 1. Be it resolved, that the MELA School Board recognizes public health concerns of our students, staff and families and take them seriously. We are directing that personnel must follow The Department of Public Health and the CDC's guidelines relating to COVID 19 and other communicable diseases.
 - e. 21-22 School Calendar
 - i. Motion to accept the 21-22 School Calendar. Emily moved. David seconded. Unanimously accepted
- 10. Board Governance / Compliance Requirements**
 - a. Update the training matrix
- 11. Meeting Adjourned** at 6:00 pm by Joseph Scherer. Next meeting will be Thursday February 11 at 5:00 in the school gym or Virtually due to Covid 19.