



Minnesota Excellence in Learning Academy February 7, 2019 Board Meeting

1. Record Attendance and Guests:
 - Board Members: Joe Scherer (phone), Julie Eduputa (Absent), Emily Johnson, Sara Welu (Absent) David Sundstrom (Phone)
 - Guests: Antonio Zambrano, Danielle Fields, Jodi Markworth, Carrie Bakken (Phone)
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2. Call the Meeting to Order: Joe called the meeting to order @ 5:05 pm
3. Public Forum:
 - None
4. Recommendation of Board Members:
 - David moved. Emily Seconded. Unanimously accepted.
5. Approval of Resignation
 - David motioned. Emily Seconded. Unanimously accepted.
6. Approval of the Agenda:
 - Add a time slot for IQS after operations report. Change order of agenda to approve new board members. Approval of resignation of Sara. Emily moved. David seconded. Unanimously accepted.
7. Approval of Minutes from the last meeting:
 - Emily motioned to approve the December 13, 2018 minutes. Julie seconded the motion. Unanimously accepted.
8. Operations report
 - Financial report
 - Nichole sent info. Antonio Presented.
 - Approved for part of Line of credit.
 - SOD plan has been submitted
 - Go through revised budget at next meeting
 - Emily made a motion to approve the December FY 2018 and January FY 2019 financial packets. Paula seconded. Unanimously accepted.

- Director of Operations report
 - Emily made a motion to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes with the Corporate Borrowing Resolution (Jan 22, 1019). David seconded. Unanimously accepted.
9. Distinctive Schools Update
- No Update
10. Board of Directors Update
- MELA Critical Conversations
 - Church Relationship=Good
 - Working on Updated lease agreement
11. MELA Executive Director and Director Report (Combined)
- Partnerships
 - InSciEdOut, Field Day and School Garden Grow-Outdoor classroom
 - Coding
 - Afterschool arts access
 - International Wolf center
 - Timberwolves/ Lynx- Book mobile
 - Camp St. Croix- May
 - Grant for STEM Lab- General Dynamics
 - Recruitment Efforts
 - Recruitment Wednesdays- 1st wed. of month
 - Reaching out to 6-8th schools for next steps to make partnerships-Sage Academy
 - Black History Month- Wax museum
 - Attendance
 - 92% attendance
 - CNA(Comprehensive Needs Assessment) and School Improvement plan
 - 3 yr plan
 - Dr. Colleen Capper-Equity work
 - VPK and ADSIS
 - Submitted funding for 2 Pre-K sections
 - ADSIS- Money for Literacy Coaches
 - Employment changes
 - 1 paras resigned/career change
 - Replaced 1 Para
 - In the process of hiring 1 para
 - Resident teacher- Need to hire
 - 4th grade teacher resigned- Rehired
12. Authorizer Check in (IQS- Carrie)
- Mid year report send out in a few weeks
 - Process for grade expansion
13. Board Governance/ Compliance Requirements

- Required board training and documentation for new members
 - 3 trainings- Matrix shared

13. Adjourn at 6:20 pm by Joe. Next meeting April 11, 2019