

Prairie Seeds Academy -- District # 4126

Board of Director's Board Meeting, July 16, 2014

3:30 PM – 5:30 PM in the Conference Room at 6200 W Broadway Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, MN 55428

Minutes

Mission

Prairie Seeds Academy, in cooperation with families and community, provides leadership in rigorous education, to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring citizens who help create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

Board of Directors' Purpose

To provide leadership, set policy, and develop accountability practices that will ensure high student achievement.

Call to order 4:13 by Jeff C.

Role Call

Present: Felicia, Mindy, Jeff C, Ben W

Absent: Doua, Lani

Ex-Officio: Ger, Choua, DeGune

Guests: Jeanene

Presentation of the Agenda

I. Reports:

➤ **Treasurer's Report and Motion: (5 min) ***

No treasurer's report this month.

➤ **Secretary's Report and Motion: (5 min) *.**

Minutes were sent out in email prior to the meeting.

Mindy made a motion to approve the minutes. Felicia second.

➤ **CEO/ Principal's Report: (10 min)***

Organizational Chart

Leadership Retreat was held. All coaches, leads, chairs, admin were present.

Summer School ends next week.

Enrollment for Kdg is at 64—more than we have room for. There are about 130 new students total.

Field Trips: Hmong Student Organization to the Dells

Choua, Ger, and DeGune went to the National Charter School Conference. Interesting, inspirational and led to more questions. Next year's conference is the end of June, 2015 in New Orleans. It was well worth the conference attendance is recommended in future years.

School vehicles-15 passenger white van that needs to be sold because it cannot qualify to transport students.

Snow plow on one vehicle. Purchased 2013 Pilot and Sienna 2014 to be certified for transporting by DOT.

Upgrade computers this year- with computers-monitors only, then 60 laptops for staff. Current staff laptops will become lab on a cart. Technology class will have new computers too. The current computers will go to the classrooms. Press box is being upgraded to meet requirements. MMKR has been kept as our auditor.

II. Old and/or Unfinished Business:

III. New Business:

➤ **Election of officers for the 14-15 School Board**

Tabled until August

➤ **Establish Board Meeting time and day to meet**

Tabled until August for finalizing
Wednesday is suggested

➤ **Contracts School year 14-15: ***
Caterer: CKC

Raise in meals is minimal. Can keep this contract for 3 years if it is agreeable to both parties.

Transportation: Kottke and American

American transportation does not have enough numbers for us.

Choua will check on comparison for 13-14 to 14-15

Motion by Mindy to approve Kottke and American contracts for 14-15 bus service. Ben W. second. All voted to approve.

School Psychologist

Motion by Jeff C to hire the school psychologist. Second by Mindy. All voted Aye.

Autism Service

Motion by Mindy to approve the ASD contract. Ben second. Voted approval by all members.

➤ **Staffing**

Motion to accept new hires as per the staffing model for 14-15 by Felicia. Second by Mindy. Approval by all.

➤ **Conflict of Interest-signature**

New Board members need to sign this.

➤ **Venture Bank (designee, not contract)**

Motion to continue to use Venture Bank by Mindy. Second by Ben W. All members voted approval.

➤ **Authorized signers-Board Chair, CEO**

Motion made to authorize the CEO and the Board Chair as authorized signers by Felicia. Second by Mindy. Approval by all.

IV. Adjourn: 5:09

Next regular meeting:

Aug. 13, 2014 3:30

Next agenda items:

Election of officers

Establish week of meeting