

Prairie Seeds Academy -- District # 4126

Board of Director's Board Meeting, October 8, 2014
4 PM – 6:00 PM 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 4:25

Role Call

Present: Felicia, Jeff C., Ben W, Mindy

Absent: Lani, Doua, Xee

Ex-Officio: Ger, Choua, DeGune

Guests: Jeanene, Shane. Chuck

Presentation of the Agenda

I. Reports:

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

Figures are preliminary and will be adjusted for auditing by next meeting. School remains strong. Looking to refinancing the school bonds to lower rate. A school can only do that when they are in good standing financially. Fund balance policy approval. Motion by Ben W. to accept. Second by Felicia. All voted in favor. Motion by Ben W. to accept the financial reports. Second by Felicia. All voted approval

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

Attendance was adjusted in the minutes since they were sent out. Motion by Felicia to approve the minutes from Sept. 24. Second by Mindy. All members voted in favor.

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

Goal is to finish all formal observations by Education MN (next week). Enrollment is 797. 10th year –nice to do a documentary.

II. Old and/or Unfinished Business:

➤ **Annual Report 13-14 – approval ***

Typically due Oct. 1. The data release changes from year to year. The state held growth data and MMR data until Oct. 1. Now due the date after your Board meeting or the latest Oct. 17.

Data Analysis:

Proficiency trends are the whole school—this measures the % that is what is usually given. Achievement level looks at each category of Does not meet, Partially meets, Meets and Exceed.

Motion by Felicia to approve the Annual Report for 2013-14. Mindy second. All voted in favor.

III. New Business:

➤ **Audubon- Shane**

Discussion last spring with Shane and David about amending the contract to adjust to not taking the NWEA. This will require a contract amendment. That will require Board action.

➤ **Staffing updates ***

Erin Walding- MS EL teacher resignation

Motion by Felicia to approve resignation. Ben W second. All voted in favor.

➤ **Focus School Designation**

MMR Handout –PSA has been a focus school for the last two years. We have moved out of Focus and by-passed Continuous Improvement. We no longer have a designation!

Our goals will be to increase our proficiency rating.

Growth data: All students are given a determination of low growth, medium and high growth.

No need for outside support. Internal coaches are leading that support piece.

➤ **ACNW retreat**

Felicia is planning to attend.

IV. Adjourn: at 5:17

Next regular Meeting: Nov. 12, 2014

Next agenda items:

➤ **Teacher Compensation for the future**

➤ **December meeting?**

*Items that need motions/ approval