



Members Present: K. Denzer, N. Donnay, J. Gottschalk, D. Keyes, R. Hajlo, J. Markoe, S. Mueller, K. Pleticha, A. Schumacher

Members Absent:

Board Advisors Present: J. Gutierrez, K. Gutierrez, W. Renner

Guest Present: Anna Maakestad

Call to Order

S. Mueller called the board meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Open Forum

There were no requests to speak at the Open Forum.

Consent Agenda

J. Gutierrez reviewed the consent agenda. This included the February board minutes, the Executive Director Report, the updated annual board calendar with addition of board elections, and the second reading and approval of the following governance policies: Employee Right to Know – Exposure to Hazardous Substances and Student Internet Acceptable Use.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: A. Schumacher

Second: J. Gottschalk

Approved: All

National Classical Education Symposium Report – A. Maakestad

Eight individuals attended the Classical Education Symposium in Phoenix, AZ. The trip was funded through the Friends of Education Reward. The attendees were: Joann Karetov, Nicole Donnay, Deanna Thompson, Amy Kleinboehl, Anna Maakestad, Matthew Davis, Kelly Gutierrez and Jon Gutierrez. Keynote speakers included the likes of Daniel Willingham, psychologist with emphasis on neuroscience), Dr. Susan Hall, long time reading intervention consultant, and Jeannette M. DeCelles-Zweneman, specializing in seminar. The experience was very beneficial.

2020-2021 Open Enrollment Period

Set the open enrollment dates for the 2020-2021 school year. Registration will open on the first day of school of the 2019-2020 school year, August 26, 2019 and end on January 10, 2020. This information will be put on the website and in school communications.

Motion to approve the 2020-2021 Open Enrollment Period: K. Denzer

Second: J. Gottschalk

Approved: All

2019-2020 Board Calendar

Set the board calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. Generally, board meeting dates are the third Tuesday of the month. There is no board meeting in July and December. In lieu of an October meeting, the board will



hold its annual retreat on October 26. The June board meeting will be held on the fourth Tuesday due to timing of the required board approvals.

Motion to approve the 2019-2020 Board Calendar: K. Denzer
Second: J. Gottschalk
Approved: All

Parent Advisory Board Positions

In order to build a sustainability plan for the board, we are looking to find parents/individuals who would be interested in learning more about the function of the school board and find ways to get them involved in an advisory capacity. There was discussion. The board needs to determine roles, training and expectations in addition to understanding what an advisory capacity function. The next steps will be for S. Mueller and R. Hajlo to talk to the individuals who have expressed interest.

Building Expansion – J. Gutierrez and K. Gutierrez

As requested by the Board, J. Gutierrez and K. Gutierrez were tasked with determining the financial feasibility of expanding on our current site. They met with Dougherty & Company to look at financing options. At this point, financially expansion is viable but there have been no discussions on the impact to current students, teachers, culture and families. It was determined that ongoing discussions will continue.

Operations Update – School Uniforms

Tommy Hilfiger has resolved lead time issues. As of May 1, Tommy Hilfiger is under new ownership (May Avenue) and will continue to improve product productivity, technology and distribution. The cash rebate will remain at 10%. Last year's rebate totaled \$14,600. Donald's has been a good addition as a uniform provider. Parents seem responsive to having a store-front option. Our rebate agreement with Donald's is 6% which comes to us in the form of store credit which we will be using to help families with educational benefits. The school has earned \$1,900 in its first 6 month rebate cycle. Administration is also proposing updating the uniform logo. The current uniform logo will be grandfathered in should the logo change.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm: S. Mueller
Second: A. Schumacher
Approved: All

Submitted by S. Peterson, Board Clerk, St. Croix Preparatory Academy