

School Board meeting 12/13/16

Attendees: Carmen, Sue, Jacob, Nick, Verena

Kathy McCarthy from DOE presenting "Family Friendly" school award

Meeting called to order 6:33

Conflict of interest compliance

Background checks need to be submitted if not already

Director's report: not much activity, no staff changes, 64 special ed students. Auditors report-nothing to report.

Financials- investments are down almost 2%, but projected to still come out as a gain. Nick will address this issue with investors. Everything was in line with budget. Material fees still out.

Facilities committee- hearing for the special exceptions. This was approved and the next step will be financial. We may move forward a few ways. Hiring an architect would be a substantial financial commitment. Another way would be to go with a contractor with an in-house architect. Facility committee-who is a part of this? Best practices for the board

Entity structure process-public entity Montessori Academy at Geist. If we purchase as the entity as it now stands, we would have to get public bids. We may work around this, but it may put us as a non-public entity. Goal is to circumvent public bids which is more costly. Sue asked GMA lawyers about this. We need to know this asap to move forward and be compliant.

Information action items: Sue is continuing to work on this

WIFI for new building: the discussion continues, nothing concrete decided

Officer election in Jan

School Board retreat in Jan

Public comment: none

Mtg adjourned 7:03