

School Board Mtg 3.21.17

Attendees: Bob, Verena, Nick, Sue

Meeting called to order 6:35 pm

Executive Director's Report

Reviewed Sue's Executive Director's Report. Not much new to report.

Buidling needs: several leaks in roof/windows have been addressed.

Carpet needs: Sue has spoken with contractor and has given him one month to appease GMA and see to this issue. GMA is not at fault for any of these problems.

All three administrators will become certified in Montessori.

We currently have three teachers in the Montessori certification process.

Strategic Plan:

A rough draft has been put together for review. No questions or issues were brought forth at this time.

Financial Report:

As of February- investment account has been pulled out, at a loss of \$15,000, and will be transferred into a savings account.

Material fees: \$17,000 still to collect.

We have been making principle payments on our common school loan.

Technology budget: We have \$8,000 to use toward technology. We need to decide how to best utilize these funds, whether it is for teacher computers or additional student computers.

Staff changes:

Our OT has resigned as well as one of assistants at South Campus and we are looking to replace them.

Capital Campaign:

We will move forward with our Capital Campaign once the land is secured. We are looking at BMO and Old National for funds. Also once land is secured, we can move forward with project manager, contractor or construction management, whichever we decided to use.

Facilities Update

We are waiting on the Geo-technical, Phase 1, and Wetland delineation reports, which we will get back before closing. So far, everything is looking good and we should hear back within the next couple of weeks. We will wait until we get a no action letter until we set a closing.

South Campus

Landlord is looking to sell this property. We are considering extending our lease. This will increase our rent by \$500 a month. We are considering a 12 month lease with a 6 month option to renew at the

same rate, providing we give a 6 month notice. We should be able to decide in December if the additional time will be needed. Repairs may need to be addressed at a later time.

Call to Vote: (Carman and Kania by phone)

Nick motioned, Carman seconds to pass Feb Meeting Minutes. Motion passed.

Bob moves, Nick seconds to have investment moved to interest bearing savings. Motion passed

Bob makes a motion approve Nick to negotiate a 12 month lease plus 6 month option to renew at a rate increase of \$500 per month, Carman seconds. All in favor.

Board Member Search:

Bob's goal is to meet with a committee to bring concerns, questions, issues to the board and have a representative to come to the Board Meetings. Bob asked us to think of some people to recommend for this and to talk to these people to determine interest and then pass those names on to him. Our goal is to have better communication with parents and also discuss capital campaign ideas.

Retreat- May 9th location TBD

Public Comment

None

Meeting adjourned: 7:59 pm