

Cannon River STEM School
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, March 14, 2013 7:00 PM
School Cafeteria

- I. Call to Order
Teri called to order the Board of Directors meeting at 7:00 pm
Attendance
Present: Teri Menard (Chairperson), Caren Putrah (Secretary), Jen Walls, Shelly Cole, Todd Rost , Jane Jirik, and Nalani McCutcheon (Executive Director, ex officio)
Absent: Marilyn Bongers
Guests: Deb Scheil

- II. Approval of Agenda and January and February Minutes
 - a. Teri requested a change to the March Agenda. Delete current IV. e. and add IV. e. Curriculum Report (Deb) as a standing report - Jen motioned, Caren seconded, all approved
 - b. Teri requested a change to the January Minutes, change in motions. January minutes as revised and February minutes as is, Jane motioned and Todd seconded, all approved

- III. Public Comment
 - a. none

- IV. Reports
 - a. Finance Committee Report (Nalani)
 - i. Review of financial statement.
 - ii. Addressed general questions.
 - b. Board Education Chapter 2 and 3 (Jen)
 - i. Why was the school formed? Nalani gave a brief description and history. Teri requested that Nalani record that information and have it posted on the website.
 - ii. Who are we? Beyond focusing on Science, Technology, Engineering and Math we are an Inquiry, Place and Project based school.
 - iii. When parents leave your school, why do they leave? Most parents would say that they leave for other opportunities.
 - iv. Defer Chapter 3 review for April Board Meeting
 - c. Staff Report (Jen)
 - i. More information was requested for Physical Education
 - d. Executive Director's Report (Nalani)
 - i. Camp Invention is coming to CRSS

- ii. Promise Fellow site visit was conducted today. Looks positive for the program to continue next year.
- iii. Two schools have expressed interest in visiting CRSS to investigate our model.
- iv. Several staff members have taken the time and energy to seek out money through grants: Flip cameras, Feed My Starving Children field trip and XC ski equipment
- v. Active shooter training will be given to the staff through the Faribault Police Department
- ~~e. Presentation of Audubon Review (David Greenberg and Dr. Charles Speiker)~~ e. Curriculum Review Report (Deb)
 - i. Staff development had three industry tours
 - ii. Staff survey was conducted with 14 of 18 staff member responding
 - iii. Math curriculum is up for review this year

V. Discussion Items

- a. Enrollment Lottery
 - i. Took place this evening. Letters will go out to families tomorrow.
- b. PTO/PTA Update
 - i. Kick-off function will be April 4th

VI. Action Items

- a. Annual Approval of Policy 524 Internet Acceptable Use
 - i. Todd motioned to accept with red line changes as presented, Caren seconded, all approved
- b. Approve of 990 tax return for FY2012
 - i. Shelly motioned to accept as presented, Todd seconded, all approved
- c. Revision of 2012-2013 School calendar to reflect snow days
 - i. Jen motioned to approve the calendar as amended, Caren seconded, all approved
- d. Approval of 2013-2014 School calendar
 - i. Todd motion to approve, Shelly seconded, discussion was proposed by Jen to consider including January 2nd and 3rd as winter break days. After much discussion , no changes were made to the proposed calendar.
 - 1. Teri called a vote – 5 approve, 1 oppose, motion passes

VII. Adjournment

- a. Todd motion to adjourn, Shelly seconded, all approved 9:04pm