

Cannon River STEM School

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, Aug 13, 2015 7:08 pm

Old Main, Den

I. Call to Order

Shelly called to order the Board of Directors meeting at 7:08 pm

Attendance:

Present – Shelly Cole, Sandy Larson, Marilyn Bongers, Angela Rosendahl, Vanessa Kuhlman, Cheryl Wendt, Dante Hummel-Langerfeld, Nalani McCutcheon Executive Director (exofficio)

Guests – Deb Scheil, Kelly Kroll (BKDA)

II. Approval of Agenda and June Minutes

Cheryl motioned to approve the August Agenda, Marilyn seconded, all approved.

Shelly requested to add an Action item 6e

Marilyn motioned to approve the June Minutes, Vanessa seconded, all approved.

III. Public Comment

IV. Reports

a. Finance Committee Report (Nalani/BKDA reps)

b. Executive Director's Report (Nalani)

Construction update of ESV, MSV and Chapel

New technology purchases: firewall, security abilities, classroom tablets and laptops

New agreement with River Bend to share an intern for the 2015-2016 year

We will have a Promise Fellow for the 2015-2016 year

c. Curriculum Committee Report (Deb)

Included with Science Review

d. Staff Report (Angela)

Workshop week is coming up which includes time at River Bend Nature Center and Before School Conferences. Summer School.

V. Discussion Items

a. Test scores

Unable to talk about test scores at this time because the data is still embargoed. Looking forward to reviewing the MMR score to compare with the scores of the state to determine whether we will be a continuous improvement school. Discussion Item in October.

b. Review of Science Curriculum Maps

Review Science Curriculum Manuals for details. Deb led Board members through Science Curriculum Maps and answered questions. Board members were impressed with the work that had gone into building these maps.

- c. District Advisory Committee for World's Best Workforce
What happens in MN schools is producing the world's best workforce. Where will we be in 2019? Requirements – District committee will work with school staff moving forward. We are to have a board appointed committee and hold a public meeting to discuss where we are, our goals and where we are going. Dante, Shelly and Vanessa volunteered to participate on the committee and provide names of potential participants. A group of at least 7 members would be ideal. Nalani will be in touch with the current committee volunteers to discuss a date for the public meeting.
- d. Board Governance – Ch. 16 (Cheryl) Renegade Board Members

VI. Action Items

- a. Approve pledge of allegiance
Marilyn motioned to approve the pledge of allegiance policy, Dante seconded, all approved.
- b. Insurance deductible change \$285 stipend for those using
Dante motioned to approve a \$285 stipend for staff using medical insurance, Sandy seconded
Discussion – Vanessa does not think the increase in insurance changes is out of line and was not sure this is necessary. Sandy believes that due to the health of the budget she would support this motion. Dante added that the employee climate would be well received by staff. Show of hands in favor 4, not in favor 1, full time staff not voting Angela and Cheryl.
- c. Approval of new hires: Tony Seidl, Stephanie Ennis, ~~Sheila Sawyer~~ (approved in June), Susan Williams and Deb Dorsett.
Marilyn motioned to approve the above new hires as listed, Sandy seconded, all approved.
- d. Approve finance report
Angela motioned to approve the finance report, Sandy seconded, all approved.
- e. Change in Board Chair
Shelly asked Vanessa to complete her term as Board Chairman
Cheryl motioned to approve a change of Board Chair to Vanessa, Marilyn seconded, all approved.

VII. Adjournment

Dante motioned to adjourn, Vanessa seconded, all approved.