Spokane International Academy Board Meeting

Minutes

Attendance: Cal Larson, Board Chair, Matt Hoag, board treasurer, Anne Cowles, board member, Ken Vorhees, board member, Doug Durham, board member, Travis Franklin, Beth Lanctot

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: Cal called the meeting to order at 5:32.
- 2. **Vote:** Approve Minutes from March. Due to lack of quorum, the approval of the March minutes was tabled until May.
- 3. Introduce new staff: Kim Halcro and Melissa Pettey. Introductions were tabled until May.
- 4. Charter contract transfer decision from the commission: Travis gave a brief update on the transfer of SIA's contract from Spokane Public Schools to the Washington State Charter Commission. At their April 20th meeting, the Commission voted unanimously to accept the transfer. The Commission and SPS are now working on the details of transferring our contract.
- Governance Update: Anne shared information from a training around Head of School evaluations. She shared a draft Board of Directors Statement of Understanding for board members to read and sign outlining board obligations and duties. There was also a draft Head of School evaluation that Anne shared and gathered feedback.
- 6. Academic Update: Travis gave a brief update on the overall academic performance of the school.
- 7. Facility Update: Cal gave a brief update on the facility. Work is continuing to potentially lease the former U-High building. A parent group has met to start to work out the logistics of moving the facility (start/end time, bus stops etc.)
- 8. Finance Update: Matt and Ken gave a brief update on the budget extension that the board will vote on in May (open to the public, advertised in the newspaper). They also gave a brief update on current legislative proposals (House and Senate) as they relate to funding.

- 9. SIA Foundation Board Overview: Travis discussed the idea of transition the current board into two boards; one school board, and one foundation that would focus one fundraising and community outreach. He discussed the DCIS Foundation and patterning after theirs. Several board members discussed.
- 10. End Meeting: Cal ended the meeting at 7:16 p.m.