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Minutes

Monthly WLPCS Board of Governors Meeting - February 2024

via ZOOM webinar

Date and Time
Thursday February 8, 2024 at 5:45 PM

Location
via ZOOM webinar

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Directors Present
A. Graham (remote), A. Jesseman (remote), B. Caldwell (remote), B. Williams-Kief (remote), C. McFadgion (remote), E. Paisner (remote), K. Merritt (remote), L. Ballenger (remote), L. Rucker (remote), P. Jayachandran (remote)

Directors Absent
F. Perera, J. Osgood

Guests Present
C. Davis (remote), C. Gifford (remote), D. Smith (remote), G. Izurieta (remote), K. Cromwell (remote), K. Roberts (remote), L. Chia (remote), M. Yeager (remote), P. Anderson (remote), T. Porter (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Merritt called a meeting of the board of directors of Washington Latin to order on Thursday Feb 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

L. Ballenger made a motion to approve the minutes from Annual WLPCS Board of Governors Retreat - January 2024 on 01-20-24.
B. Caldwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Graham	Aye
L. Ballenger	Aye
J. Osgood	Absent
P. Jayachandran	Aye
E. Paisner	Absent
B. Caldwell	Aye
B. Williams-Kief	Aye
L. Rucker	Aye
C. McFadgion	Aye
F. Perera	Absent
K. Merritt	Aye
A. Jesseman	Aye

II. Executive Report

A. LEA Overview

Peter Anderson highlighted that a 10th grader at 2nd St is a published co-author of a children's book.

It was also mentioned that the law office of Jenner & Block will be providing pro bono legal services for WLPCS.

Congratulations were offered to Jimmy Kelly on the birth of a baby girl born on 27 Jan 2024.

III. Deep Dive Topic: Next Steps After the Retreat

A. Governing in the Latin Way

The board members gave their feedback about the Jan 20 Sat retreat.

Ken Merritt reviewed the following and elaborated on "Governing The Latin Way" that was discussed during the retreat.

- DRAFT Board Norms
- DRAFT Core Principles

B. Fundraising Next Steps

Peter Anderson shared a "Major Donor Prospects" slide, and talked about the next steps for fundraising.

Cynthia Davis invited the board to the TEMPESTUOUS ELEMENTS at Arena Stage fundraising event on Mar 09 Sat.

IV. Other committee updates

A. Academic Committee

Alyse Graham emphasized the importance of the growth data from the MAP testing scores.

- This is the second year we have done MAP testing and the first year we have done winter MAP.
- Winter MAP testing gives us a progress point for the middle of the year to see how we are doing.
- All middle school students and 9th grade students take MAP.

B. Finance Committee

Geovanna Izurieta shared the December financials. She said that there is no significant variance from the previous report.

The forecast shows a positive improvement for the year's end.

V. Governance

A. Board candidates

In addition to board candidate Margie Yeager, the Governance committee is considering other board prospects.
A. Graham made a motion to approve Margie Yeager as a board member.
L. Ballenger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
B. Caldwell	Aye
C. McFadgion	Aye
L. Rucker	Aye
L. Ballenger	Aye
E. Paisner	Aye
A. Graham	Aye
B. Williams-Kief	Aye
F. Perera	Absent
A. Jesseman	Aye
J. Osgood	Absent
K. Merritt	Aye
P. Jayachandran	Aye

VI. Facilities

A. Update on latest with real estate project budget and timeline

Peter Anderson shared that the Cooper Campus at 4301 Harewood Rd NE WDC 20017 project budget has increased.

Tom Porter elaborated on the details and presented a (Cooper Campus at KIROV) Proposed Final Project Budget.

E. Paisner made a motion to approve the (Cooper Campus at KIROV) revised project budget proposal.
L. Ballenger seconded the motion.
The following caveats were noted:

1. The team needs to find an additional $300K to cut costs from either soft or hard costs, though the specific items to be cut are yet to be determined.

2. The reduction in owner hard cost contingencies from 10% to 5% is subject to lender approval.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
L. Rucker	Aye
A. Graham	Aye
P. Jayachandran	Aye
F. Perera	Absent
B. Caldwell	Aye
L. Ballenger	Aye
B. Williams-Kief	Aye
J. Osgood	Absent
A. Jesseman	Aye
C. McFadgion	Aye
K. Merritt	Aye
E. Paisner	Aye

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

L. Ballenger made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
B. Caldwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
E. Paisner	Aye
J. Osgood	Absent
F. Perera	Absent
L. Ballenger	Aye
B. Caldwell	Aye
P. Jayachandran	Aye
B. Williams-Kief	Aye
L. Rucker	Aye
K. Merritt	Aye
A. Graham	Aye
C. McFadgion	Aye
A. Jesseman	Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Chia

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