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One City Schools

Minutes

One City Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday August 24, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Location
Normally, we will meet at One City Schools, 2012 Fisher Street, Madison, WI 53713. However, due to COVID-19, we will meet by Zoom conferencing for this meeting.

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Directors Present

C. Gaines (remote), C. Zdeblick (remote), G. Derzon (remote), G. Ladson-Billings (remote), J. Krupp (remote), L. McDonald (remote), N. Wray (remote), S. Klug (remote), S. Martyniak (remote), T. Jaeckle (remote), T. Pedracine (remote), W. Akhtar (remote)

Directors Absent
J. Pope-Williams, T. Balsiger

Ex Officio Members Present
K. Caire (remote)

Guests Present
B. Pickett (remote), C. Hodge (remote), D. Davis (remote), D. Stephan (remote), F. D'Abell (remote), G. Wiseman (remote), L. Allen (remote), L. Lange (remote), M. Ruffin (remote), X. Zupan (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

N. Wray called a meeting of the board of directors of One City Schools to order on Tuesday Aug 24, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from June 22, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

J. Krupp made a motion to approve minutes from the July, 27, 2021 regular board meeting.
S. Martyniak seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
J. Krupp made a motion to approve the minutes from One City Regular Board Meeting on 07-27-21.
S. Martyniak seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. One City Parent Board Member Input

A. One City Parent Update by Parent-members of One City's Board of Directors

T. Pedracine and W. Akhtar reported that parents are looking forward to the pontoon boat rides on Saturday, August 28 at Tenney Park from 9:00AM - 1:00PM.

They expressed their thanks to One City's leadership team for their responses to parent concerns outlined by parent council leaders.

Parents are eager to tour the new building. The first tour was held on August 23rd and a second tour is scheduled for August 26th at 7:00pm.

III. Finance Committee: Discussion and Actions

A. Review and Approve One City's July 2021 Financial Report

T. Jaeckle reported that financials show a drop in pledges receivable due to payment from Pleasant towards the facility.

Currently, we show ~$1.5M in the bank which is positive. Income is a high negative because of the cost of the new building.

There is still $1.7M available from Ms. Pleasant Rowlands original pledge which we estimate will last until mid March of 2022, based on last year's operational budget.

Tuition that was not collected will be reflected in a future report.
C. Zdeblick made a motion to approve the July 2021 financials.
J. Krupp seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. CEO Update and July 2021 Organizational Report

A. CEO Departmental Reports: Key Topics and School Highlights

B. Facilities Report

D. Stephan reported that we hosted our new staff at the new facility on August 24th. Classrooms are framed and walled in on the third floor so we can begin moving furniture into the classrooms before the end of this week.

A huge thank you to our extraordinary volunteers for helping to move our school from Coyier Lane to W. Broadway.

One City's Executive Team had a very productive visioning session with ZebraDog last week. ZebraDog will handle the design of the interior of our elementary and secondary schools.

V. Ramakrishnan and S. Martyniak reported that we can bring ~20% of project costs for building renovation (approximately $4M) if we have the remaining 80% in hand at closing in January 2022. We still need to determine the budget for the entire project.

S.Klug wondered if we have a rough estimate of the global budget. V. Ramakrishnan responded that it will likely cost a total of $25-26M.

G. Derzon inquired how much we are asking for in tax credits. V. Ramakrishnan replied that it depends on which CDE awards the money, but ~$4M is a safe estimate.

G. Derzon asked if that is net credits - after the legal teams and accountants take their cuts. V. Ramakrishnan said the answer is yes, as the gross benefit starts at approximately 30% but ends up being closer to 20% after everyone takes their cuts.

C. One City Student Enrollment Update for the 2021-22 School Year

M. Ruffin reported that 4K-grade 4 enrollment for the fall so far is at 229 scholars. 4K, 5K and 1st grade are full. There are still seats available in 2nd, 3rd, and 4th grades. There are 2 sections of 24 scholars each for 2nd and 3rd grade, and one section of 24 scholars for 4th grade.

N. Wray suggested that we look into advertising enrollment on the parking ramp facing the belt line.

G. Wiseman responded that we can work with Findorff and the Monona planning commission to put up an enrollment banner.

W. Akhtar wondered how recent enrollees have heard about One City, and suggested that we make note of what strategies work. M.Ruffin said that enrolled families have heard about the school via word of mouth.

S. Martyniak asked how many seats are open in 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades. M. Ruffin replied that 3rd grade has 36/48 scholars enrolled, 3rd grade has 44/48 scholars enrolled and 4th grade has 18/24 scholars enrolled.

D. Elementary School Updates

F. D'Abell reported that elementary school teachers were off for a few weeks in August.

Scholars completed MAP testing in August which helped assist with creation of class lists.

Board members were introduced to and introduced themselves to new One City staff members.

E. Secondary School Planning Updates

D.Davis stated that she is eager to begin planning with Natalia Navarro Albaladejo, One City's new director of teaching and learning for the secondary school.

F. Staffing Update and Introduction to New Staff Members

V. 2021-22 Budget Review and Fundraising/Capital Campaign Needs- Closed Session

A. 2021-22 Budget Review and Fundraising Needs

G. Derzon made a motion to move to closed session of the board.
C. Zdeblick seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
J. Krupp made a motion to move to open session.
C. Gaines seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
G. Ladson-Billings made a motion to approve the 2021-22 budget.
J. Krupp seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Other Business

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L. McDonald wondered if we should spend time discussing critical race theory. G. Ladson-Billings suggested we discuss at a future meeting.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

G. Ladson-Billings made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
C. Zdeblick seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Wiseman

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