



Menlo Park Academy Governing Board

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Monday March 7, 2016 at 5:00 PM

Location

Jammy Buggars, 15625 Detroit Ave, Lakewood, OH

OUR MISSION: Menlo Park Academy is a public school that develops the potential of gifted learners through an exemplary program of rewarding experiences that nurtures the whole child.

Committee Members Present

Cathy Aldrich, Toby Oster

Committee Members Absent

Beverley Veccia, Teri Harrison

Guests Present

Lisa Sierk

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Cathy Aldrich called a meeting of the Governance Committee Committee of Menlo Park Academy Governing Board to order on Monday Mar 7, 2016 at 5:30 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Toby Oster made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 02-16-16 Governance Committee Meeting on 02-16-16.

Lisa Sierk seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Governance Committee

A. Board Elections Policy

Review of Board Elections Policy and discussion of proposed amendment to policy concerning board terms. Agreed upon proposed amendments to the policy to recommend to the Board for the March meeting.

B. Board Succession Planning/Board Development

Discussion on which members will stand for reelection in April and/or for officer elections May. C. Aldrich will personally contact Board members prior to the March meeting to determine intentions of each Board Member.

C. Aldrich shared with the committee the new Board Goals adopted by the Board and the survey on board self-assessment on current standing and priorities. Discussed skill gaps/needs for board composition - marketing, development, human resources. Discussion of potential people and places for recruitment as members to MPA committees and/or board ensued. T. Oster reported on conversations with potential recruits. Considered what information is needed by the GC to assist with such recruitment.

Discussed following up on the Board Goals and tasks from that document and possibly doing a Board assessment from Board on Track at the April strategic plan meeting. Will also look at completing a Board Committee evaluation as well. Some questions to look at: Are the current committees and membership sufficient? Does DCRC need to be split?

C. Board Guiding Documents

T. Oster moved to Table until the next meeting due to time constraints. L. Sierk seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Board Meeting Procedures

T. Oster moved to Table due to time constraints. L. Sierk seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Other Business

A. Sunshine Law Training

T. Oster moved to Table due to time constraints. L. Sierk seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Cathy Aldrich made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Toby Oster seconded the motion.

The committee **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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Aldrich