



Seaside School, Inc

Minutes

May Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday May 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM

Location

Seacoast Collegiate High School, Room 119/120 109 Greenway Trail Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459

Founded in 1996 Serving Students in Grades 5 - 12

We seek to sustain an educational community where an emphasis on academic excellence is complemented by our concern for each learner's personal growth and intellectual, aesthetic, and psychological development. The curriculum is developmentally responsive – actively engaging students in learning skills in context, integrative – directing students to connect learning to daily lives, and exploratory – enabling students to discover their abilities, interests, learning styles, and ways that they can make contributions to society.

Information on procedures for public comment can be found at https://www.seasideschools.net/domain/35.

If anyone needs special assistance to participate in the public input session, every effort will be made to provide an appropriate accommodation. When requesting accommodations for public input, please allow no less than 1 business day notice prior to the scheduled meeting.

Specific issues about a particular student should only be addressed to the school's Director of Student Services, rather than the Board of Directors.

All public comments will be taken under advisement by the Board, but will not elicit a written or spoken response. The names of persons providing public comment and a brief summary of topics or input will be included in the meeting minutes published. A response will be provided to the stakeholder within seven (7) days.

Directors Present

A. Jordan, A. Winicki, C. Lewis, D. Lilienthal, D. Tinghitella, F. Brown, G. Latour, J. O'Donoghue, J. Ward, K. Tucker, L. Blue, M. Kerrigan, M. Uhlfelder, R. Kauffman

Directors Absent

T. Brooks

Directors who left before the meeting adjourned

G. Latour, J. Ward

Guests Present

M. Willcox, T. Horton, T. Miller

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Tucker called a meeting of the board of directors of Seaside School, Inc to order on Thursday May 16, 2024 at 5:38 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

- M. Kerrigan made a motion to approve the minutes from April Board Meeting on 04-18-24.
- J. Ward seconded the motion.

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

D. Consent Items

- G. Latour made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda.
- M. Kerrigan seconded the motion.

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

II. Development

A. Updates

Tom discussed his meeting with Hawkeye and their recommendations for safety improvements.

Tom also went over the Office of Safe Schools visit and their findings.

B. IT Services Provider Contract

Tecaba has been our third party IT solutions provider for the last two years. Tom and his team secured competitive bids as their renewal was coming up. Tom and the admin team would like to switch vendors to SNH technologies. Their proposal is slightly higher than what Tecaba was proposing, but they will be spending more time on campus. SNH had previously provided some work for the portables, and they also provided a technology safety audit recently.

- M. Kerrigan made a motion to accept the proposal from SNH Technologies.
- J. Ward seconded the motion.

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

III. Executive Committee

A. Legislative Support Agreement (Continuation of Services)

K. Tucker discussed the assignment of contracts (ex. Rubin Turnbull). If the school is taking ownership of the contract, who else can help and be involved in that relationship, as we talk to Rubin Turnbull about appropriations, LCIR etc. It will be on the development agenda for June and then brought back to the board.

IV. Executive Director Support and Eval Committee

A. Data Collection and Goal Setting

J. O'Donoghue went over data collection and goal setting. Those who have not completed the survey were asked to do so as soon as possible so that they can pull the reports.

V. Finance

A. Finance Updates

C. Brown gave a finance update to include that we are on track for a \$120 thousand surplus and the school is currently working on the budget for next year.

VI. Governance

A. Appeal for enrollment

- R. Kauffman passed out the admissions policy along with two applicants' information to review for appeal. A summary of information was given to include that they were selected with the Walton County preference but the lottery team and the governance committee had found that they did not meet the qualifications.
- M. Kerrigan made a motion to support the governance committee's decision to deny the appeal.
- D. Lilienthal seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. O'Donoghue Aye K. Tucker Aye M. Kerrigan Aye D. Tinghitella Aye R. Kauffman Aye D. Lilienthal Aye T. Brooks Absent M. Uhlfelder Aye F. Brown Aye A. Jordan Ave J. Ward No G. Latour Aye A. Winicki Aye L. Blue Aye C. Lewis Aye

B. Governance Updates

Tom has made some changes to the employee handbook and is working on finalizing.

VII. School Leadership Team

A. Executive Director Report

Dr. Miller, M. Uhlfelder, M. Kerrigan and J. O'Donoghue discussed the Honors Ceremony & Graduation along with all the other achievements and scholarships the senior class received.

Dr. Miller went over the Executive Director's report including parent and staff surveys, academic data, test scores, certifications and enrollment.

VIII. Student Excellence

A. Science Textbook Adoption

J. O'Donoghue made a motion to approve the adoption and purchase the science curriculum.

A. Winicki seconded the motion.

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

- J. Ward left at 6:21 PM.
- G. Latour left at 6:21 PM.

Dr. Miller and J. O'Donoghue discussed Florida Virtual classes. In the past, students could take any FLVS class to help raise their GPA. It is the intent that moving forward they will only be able to take a FLVS class if it is a grad requirement that is not offered (ex. HOPE) or if a student receives a D or a F they could retake a class to replace a grade. Edgenuity is \$100 per class and FLVS is upwards of \$400 per class. There will be a process to appeal to the student excellence committee if they are denied. At the June student excellence committee, FLVS will be discussed further.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Willcox