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MCCPS Board of Trustees

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday January 24, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Location
MCCPS, 8th Grade Classroom

Trustees Present
Bill Bowden, Jen Jewell, John Stickevers, Karl Smith, Katie Hope, Nina Cullen-Hamzeh, Paul Baker, Sean Killeen

Trustees Absent
Ellen Lodgen, Paul McCarthy

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Guests present: Tony Palladino, Nichole Thompson, Victor Wild, Bill Sullivan, Fred Ferris

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Bill Bowden called a meeting of the board of trustees of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Tuesday Jan 24, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

C. Review and Approve minutes from the November meeting

Sean Killeen made a motion to approve minutes.
John Stickevers seconded the motion.

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

II. HOS Report

A. Monthly Report

Head Of School presented her monthly school update to the Board.
Preparation for site visit.
Noted that "You're No Van Gough" Fundraiser had been postponed to a yet to be determined date due to low advance ticket sales.

B. Site Visit Preparation

Head of school reviewed the agenda and scope of the forthcoming site visit by the DESE on 1/26/17.

III. Finance Committee

A. Finance Report

Karl Smith presented update from the Financial Committee.
The Board was presented with copies of year to date financials as well as copies of a "conservative" 10 year budget projection for the school.

B. Board On Track Review

Discussion as to weather the Board should renew Board On Track contract. after discussion it was decided that, after a short tutorial, a vote should take place at the February Board meeting.

IV. Governance Committee

A. Board Composition Report

Governance Committee Chair Nichole Thompson presented an update on MCCPS Board composition stressing the importance of adding more faculty to the Board and hopefully growing the number of members.

B. Goverance Committee Member Update

In her absence, Governance Committee Chair Nicole Thompson presented Paula Poss to the Board for approval to sit on the Governance committee.

Bill Bowden made a motion to Approve Paula Poss to sit on the Governance Commitee. Nina Cullen-Hamzeh seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Bill Bowden made a motion to Presentation/Interview/Vote on Perspective Board Members - Tony Paladino Bill Bowden made a motion to appoint Tony Paladino as a member of the MCCPS Board of Trustees to fill a term commencing immediately upon approval by the DESE and expiring at the close of the January, 2020 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Nina Cullan-Hanzah seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion. Nina Cullan-Hanzah made a motion to invite the newly appointed Tony Paladino to all Board meetings and activities while his approval is pending with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Mr. Paladino will be entitled to participate as provisional Trustee and will be able to participate in all activities and discussions, but will not be permitted to vote on any matter until he receives formal approval from the DESE, and will not be counted when determining a quorum. Bill Bowden seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.
Nina Cullen-Hamzeh seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Personnel Committee

A. Report - Contract Renewel

Personnel Committee Chair John Stickevers presented an update on Head of School Contract renewal.
New Legal Councel needs to be hired to replace our current lawyer who has retired. Negotiations will continue once new Councel is hired.

VI. Board Business

A. Stakeholder's Meeting - April 12, 2017

Wednesday April 12th 2017 set for Stakeholders meeting.

B. Academic Excellence Committee

Sean Killeen volunteered to Chair the Academic Excellence Committee. Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Killeen.

C. Year End Board Goals

Board discussed the need to set a strategic plan for the coming year and how best to support the school going forward.

D. Hiring of Legal Counsel

Bill Bowden and John Stickevers reported that they had contacted 2 or 3 lawyers to gauge their interest in representing MCCPS. Bill Bowden will report back at the February Board meeting.
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E. Status of Leased space - all permits and codes up to date

Head of School and Bill Sullivan, assistant Head of School, reported that Bill had been in touch with the Marblehead Building Commissioner regarding school building permits and would be meeting with Commissioner later in the month.

VII. 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 8:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul Baker