

LIFE Prep Vision

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February 2023 Board Meeting Minutes of LIFE Prep

Date: Monday, February 27, 2023

Time: 5:00 PM-6:30 PM

Location: LIFE Prep School: 930 Geranium Avenue East, St. Paul, MN 55106

Members present: Nou, Mike, Katie, Beth, Gillian, Jennie and Christine Leah, Christyna and Kelsey

Agenda: called to order by Nou at 5:10

1. Conflict of Interest
 - None
2. Consent Items:
 - o Review/approve February 2023 agenda
 - Christine motions to strike reviewing of check register for Nov., Dec. and Jan. from February agenda
 - Katie seconds
 - January financials will be reviewed at the March meeting
 - Beth motions to approve updated Feb 2023 agenda
 - Gillian seconds
 - o Review/approve January 2023 minutes
 - Gillian motions
 - Christine seconds
3. Authorizer Communication – (The Guild)
 - None
4. Executive Committee Report – Nou
 - Reviewed EpiCenter tasks
 - Preparing for the Annual Meeting (terms ending, ballots prepared)
 - Assigned Jennie a two-year term beginning 1/2023 and ending January 2025
 - Discussed financials and due to the transition from moving from EdFin to current accountant, EdFin did not provide the statements we needed through the end of November for the remainder of our contract
 - Therefore, we will not be receiving November 2022 or December 2022 financials statements
 - Confident moving forward with our current accountant and January financials look as they should
5. Policy Committee Report – Christine
 - Using the MACS policy list for Charter Schools rather than the Minnesota ____
 - Nothing new to report, continuing to work through the remaining policy lists and policies that need changing/updating will be brought to the Board
6. Finance Committee Report – Katie
 - After meeting with accountant, Leah will send out any needed information
 - Jennie will join the Finance Committee
 - Next months training will be on Finance
7. Executive Director's Report – Leah
 - Enrollment 171 with Pre-k

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- ADM:160
 - Attendance: 85%
 - Testing has been completed, more time needed to look at the data but growth is looking good
 - Have been looking for more information regarding FLEX days and what could be required for make up days- reached out for more information but as of now it does not look like any days will need to be made up
 - Guest speaker/artist Marvin Wise came to visit, showed pieces of his artwork, talked about his life experiences and discussed pieces of our student's work with 4th-6th graders- amazing experience!
 - Sean Stewart will be coming tomorrow (28th) as a guest speaker and he is a local author and educator and will be doing two sessions for our students
 - 13 weeks left of school
 - One teacher will be out for six weeks for medical reasons beginning on March 1st. We have posted for a sub, but no has been found yet.
 - One teacher will be on maternity leave beginning March 8th, Ms. Dunn will be the long-term sub
 - March 31st- Fish Fry at the Legion
 - All events scheduled in January and February have been rescheduled
 - School Safety assessment rescheduled with law enforcement
 - After looking at the recommendations, will discuss what we could do and where the money would come from
 - Current proposed money from the state to use to address school safety will directly exclude charter schools, Leah will pass on more information about this and how to contact local representatives
 - Meeting with RCE will be rescheduled (Regional Center of Excellence)
8. Other Business -
- o Goals review
 - Will clarify final goals and bring an update to the board
9. Public Communication to the Board
- None
10. Board Actions
- o ~~Approve Check Register for November, December 2022 and January 2023~~
11. Adjournment at 6:07 by Nou
- Christine motions
 - Katie seconds

Next regular board meeting: Monday, March 20, 2023