

"To Live, To Love, To Learn, To Leave a Legacy"

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June 23, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 6:00 PM STRIDE Academy Library

<u>School Mission Statement:</u> STRIDE Academy nurtures individuals while fostering leadership and empowering students to attain their highest potential in a family-centered environment.

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call 6:00 PM Members present: Sara Fromm, Eric Williams, Joe Pundsack, Andy Lyman, Suzy McIntyre, Hassan Yussuf.

Staff members present: Mara Kramer, Gwen Anderson.

- A. Mission Statement of STRIDE Academy
- B. Conflict of Interest Declaration: No member of the board of directors, employee, officer, or agent of a charter school shall participate in selecting, awarding, or administering a contract if a conflict of interest exists.

II. Approval of Agenda Motion to approve made by Joe Pundsack, Seconded by Andy Lyman. Motion carried.

- III. Swearing in New Directors and Organization of the Board Andy Lyman was sworn under oath.
 - A. Election of Officers for 2022-2023 Motion to approve made by Suzy McIntyre, Seconded by Joe Pundsack, Motion carried.
 - a. Chair Sara Fromm All members presents say Yay
 - b. Vice-Chair Suzy McIntyre All members presents say Yay
 - C. Secretary Andy Lyman All members present say Yay
 - d. Treasurer No nominations at the moment, will wait for members not present today to discuss other nominations
 - e. Establish Board Committee Assignments for 2022-2023 Lyman will do AEC, McIntyre will do Governance.
 - B. Approve Designation of Depositories: Choice Bank, St. Cloud Federal Credit Union. Motion to approve made by Suzy McIntyre, seconded by Andy Lyman. Motion carried.
 - C. Board Members Conflict of Interest Disclosure & Governance Assurances
 - D. Authorized Signers at Banks: Board Chair Sara Fromm, Executive Director Eric Skanson, Treasurer Sara Fromm, Business Manager Kelly Rimpila, Administrative Assistant Mara Kramer Motion to approve made by Suzy McIntyre, seconded by Andy Lyman. Motion carried.

- E. Delegation of Authority to make electronic funds transfers **Motion to approve made by Joe Pundsack**, **seconded by Andy Lyman. Motion carried.**
 - a. Board Chair, Board Treasurer, or Executive Director
 - b. Kelly Rimpila, or her designee at BerganKDV
- F. Designation of St. Cloud Times as Official Newspaper Motion to approve made by Suzy McIntyre, seconded by Joe Pundsack. Motion carried.
- G. Accept Resignation from Joe Pundsack, Board Member at the end of the month (June 2022) Accepted

IV. Consent Agenda Approved

- A. Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Adopt Federal Mileage Rate reimbursement
- C. Authorize Administrative Assistant to Perform certain Duties of the Secretary
- D. Authorization to use Facsimile Signatures
- E. Authorize Business Manager as Treasurer's Designee.
- F. Approve to Hire Alex Alvord, Teacher
- G. Approve to Hire Jordyn Birch, Teacher
- H. Approve to Hire Sara Stone, Teacher
- I. Approve to hire Amanda Jaques, Teacher
- J. Accept Resignation from Katie Muhlenpoh
- K. Accept Resignation from Sidney Kruse
- L. Accept Resignation from Gina Schoon
- M. Accept Resignation from LeAnn Skudlarek
- N. Accept Resignation from Carl Burks
- O. Approve to reassign Fardowsa Hassan to Administrative Assistant

V. Public Comment Angie Lichy introduced herself as the new Principal of KG to 4th Grade.

The School Board welcomes input from community members and staff.

Each person addressing the council shall give his/her name for the record. Each person making public comment is limited to three minutes. Comments should be kept courteous and professional and directed to the board as whole. After the speaker has made his or her statement, he or she will be seated with no further comment, dialogue or debate.

VI. Reports

- A. Executive Director
 - 5 years ago we were in a scary place and I feel in a better place with the new administration.
 - a. Land Purchase update
 - Shawn gave us a summary update of the purchase of the land.
 - Found 2 lenders Choice Bank & Propel Nonprofits
 - Explain the process of the appraisal.

- Working closely with the investors and the process with the existing bonds.
- b. Special Education Update
 - On behalf of Marlene Grindland, Dr. Williams gave a quick report. More details in the report attached.
- B. Principals' Report Mr. Schwieter's report presented by Dr. Williams
 - Goal to lower numbers of students suspension
 - 24 Students were reported as truants
 - Activities- Andy Lyman will be the Activities Director next year.
 - 17 activities were held this year with 352 students participating.
 - Middle has struggled during class transitions, we are looking at different options for class schedules.
 - We have a long list of teachers to be hired. A struggle that many schools are facing.
 - Dr. Anderson's report Garage Sale trying to get rid of all the "lost & found" items.
 - The last day of school we had some fun stations outside for the students to enjoy.
 - We have 107 students signed up for summer school, 60 of them are showing up consistently to class.
 - a. Q-Comp Annual Report
 - This year we added the 5th coach with 1 resignation.
 - We went from 1 observation to observe a colleague.
 - PLC focuses on Tier 1 and standards alignment.
 - Student impact DATA showed growth on the NWA test.
 - For more information, see the attached report.
- C. Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Academic Excellence Committee
 - b. Governance
 - c. Finance
 - Brenda KDV offer the finance report
 - Doing much better with the ADM than projected
 - ESSERIII if we do ok with enrollment we can rollover this funds (26:30)

VII. Business

- A. Approve Eric Skanson to be the Schools' Identified Official with Authority Motion to approve made by Pundsack, seconded by Lyman . Motion carried.
- B. Approve Abdo Eick and Myers to Conduct Annual Financial Audit for the 2021-2022 School year. **Motion to approve made by McIntyre**, **seconded by Lyman**. **Motion carried**.
- C. Approve Evaluation of Executive Director Motion to approve made by Lyman, seconded by Pundsack. Motion carried.
- D. Approve Literacy Plan Motion to approve made by McIntyre, seconded by Lyman. Motion carried.
- E. Approve 2022-2023 membership in Minnesota Association of Charter Schools. **Motion to approve made** by Lyman, seconded by Hassan. Motion carried.
- F. Approve Proposal from Choice Bank to the term sheet. **Motion to approve made by Lyman, seconded by Pundsack. Motion carried.**

VIII. Adjourn 6:48pm

Public Attachments:

- Sped highlights.docx
- QComp Annual Report 2021-2022.pdf
- Copy of Literacy Plan (RWBTG) 2022-2023.docx
- 5-19-22 Board Meeting minute.pdf