

LIONSGATE ACADEMY
 District #4183
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 October 27, 2016, 6:00pm
 Lionsgate Academy 2342 Helen Street N. North St Paul, MN 55109

TO: Jim Harms (ab), Sara Bydzovsky, Jo Sander, Christine Peper, Emy Bachman, Ali Thorstad (ab), Darren Johnson, Liz Wielinski, and Laura Cottington.
 Others: Diane Halpin, Executive Director; Brandy Dougherty, Assistant Director; Aaron Leisen, Charter School Accounting
FROM: Ali Thorstad, Chair

Call to order: Emy Bachman, Vice Chair, 6:31 pm

School Mission Statement:

The mission of Lionsgate Academy is to foster self-determination by providing a transitions-focused, personalized learning program for all students, specializing in educating students with autism spectrum disorders.

Comments from Community Members: Public Comment is an open forum portion of the meeting and is an opportunity to present an issue, concern, or other statement to the Board of Directors. Individuals wishing to address the Board must sign up prior to the Call to Order and will be allotted three (3) minutes. Total public comment will be limited to twenty one (21) minutes.

Conflict of Interest Declaration (None)

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Move to approve agenda with the addition of adding Executive Director requests Board to approve contracted services in excess of \$25,000 under the Business section.			
Made by: Wielinski		Seconded by: Bydzovsky	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:

Model:

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes 9-22-2016
- b. Governance Committee Report 10-5-2016
- c. Approval of Policies
 - i. 303 School Key Policy DRAFT

Motion: Move to approve consent agenda.			
Made by: Sander		Seconded by: Wielinski	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:

2. Special Education Update

3. Strategic Planning Update

- a. New balance book for LGA Board future goals

- i. Review and update LGA goals

4. Business

- 1. Director’s Report-Diane
 - i. Student Achievement
- 2. Foundation Update
 - i. Venue reviewed
 - ii. Two new Foundation members
- 3. Committee Reports
 - i. Governance
 - 1. 3-year calendar for new policies
 - ii. Finance
 - 1. Committee Update
 - 2. Financials
 - a. Draft from audit expected for review, final in December
 - b. Budget on target, positive cash flow

Motion: Move to approve Financials.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Johnson	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:

- iii. Building

- 1. Gym complete November 4
 - a. Grant proposal submitted for gym floor and divider to City of Minnetonka Department of Parks & Recreation
 - b. Informed of proposal decision in December
- 2. KaBOOM!, non-profit playground building organization encouraged LGA to apply for playground grant
- 3. Friday, November 18, 6:30-7pm – LGA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- 4. University of Minnesota grant submitted
 - a. \$50,000 graduate student working with transitions programs
 - b. Implementation in January if approved
- 5. PEERS training a success
 - a. Potential implementation being discussed for both AIM and GCD campuses
- 6. Executive Director requests Board to approve contracted services in excess of \$25,000
 - a. Board discussed the contract

Motion: Move to approve contract in excess of \$25,000.			
Made by: Sander		Seconded by: Peper	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:

- iv. Executive Director Evaluation

- 1. Committee met for first time tonight with new member Laura Cottington
- 2. Focus will be on creating process, procedures and timelines for the ED Evaluation

Lionsgate Academy’s Authorizer is:

5. Review: November's Board Meeting Agenda

Motion to Adjourn: 7:48pm

Motion: Move to adjourn.			
Made by: Wielinski		Seconded by: Sander	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:

Next Meeting: November 17, 2016, 6:00pm

Lionsgate Academy's Authorizer is:

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