

LIONSGATE ACADEMY
 District #4183
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
 July 21, 2015 6:00 pm
 Lionsgate Academy 3420 Nevada Avenue N. Crystal, MN 55427

TO: Jim Harms, Sara Bydzovsky, Malory Kosher, Christine Peper, Emy Bachman (ab.), Ali Thorstad, Darren Johnson, Chris Kenealy, and Kurt Nisi.
 Others: Diane Halpin, Executive Director; Ron Berger, Director of Finance
FROM: Ali Thorstad, Chair

Call to order: Ali Thorstad, Chair: 4:03 pm called by acting chair Malory Kosher

School Mission Statement:

The mission of Lionsgate Academy is to provide a transition-focused, personalized learning program focused for students with autism spectrum disorders that supports their full potential, participation, and self-determination within their school, family, and community.

To this end, Lionsgate Academy will create an educational environment that will model best instructional practice and research-based techniques so that the graduates will--to the fullest extent possible--live independently, be involved in further education or gainful employment and develop meaningful relationships with others.

Strategic Planning (Separate Minutes)

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

- Ali made the following changes to the agenda
 - June Financials to be added to consent agenda
 - No Special Education Update Tonight
 - No Director's Report
 - No Foundation Report
 - No Executive Director Evaluation Report

Motion: Move to approve agenda, including the changes mentioned.			
Made by: Kenealy		Seconded by: Peper	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Model:

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
- b. Governance Committee Report
- c. Approval of Policies

- i. 922 Use of Internet in School
- ii. 406 Travel Expenses and Reimbursement
- iii. 403 Annual Audit
- iv. 211 Communication of Outside Interest
- v. 906 Concussion
- d. 2015-2016 School Board Meeting Calendar:
 - i. Ali Pulled to Update
 - 1. June 2016 meeting will move to June 21.
 - 2. May 17, 2016 meeting will be held at AIM.

Motion: Move to approve meeting updated calendar changes.			
Made by: Nisi		Seconded by: Peper	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Motion: Move to approve consent agenda.			
Made by: Bydzovsky		Seconded by: Kosher	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

2. Business

- 1. Committee Reports
 - i. Governance
 - 1. Seat Newly Elected Board Members: Jim Harms (Staff), Emy Bachman (Community) and Chris Kenealy (Parent)

Motion: Move to seat new board members			
Made by: Nisi		Seconded by: Johnson	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

2. Officer Positions

Motion: Move for Sara Bydzovsky to continue as Secretary.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Kenealy	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Motion: Move for Kurt Nisi to continue as Treasurer.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Kenealy	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Motion: Move to approve Malory Kosher as Vice Chair.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Kenealy	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Motion: Move for Ali Thorstad to continue as Chair.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Kenealy	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

3. Committee Assignments

- a. Finance: Kurt Nisi and Darren Johnson still willing to be on finance committee; Jim Harms to join
- b. Executive Director: Christine Peper, Sara Bydzovsky and Chris Kenealy to continue
- c. Governance: Ali Thorstad, Malory Kosher will stay, Emy Bachman to join, Ali will ask Emy to chair

4. Annual Board Training

- a. Emy and Jim will need new board member training
- b. Board will set priorities and vote on a topic for annual board training at August Board Meeting
 - i. Aligned with strategic planning priorities?

Will discuss at next meeting (Ali to put on agenda)

3. Review: August Board Meeting agenda

- a. Items to be discussed
 - i. School event attendance for Board Members (under governance)
 - ii. Under finance add financial planning and reporting calendar (under finance)
 - iii. Will have special education update
 - iv. Will have ACT testing update

Lionsgate Academy's Authorizer is:

Motion: Move to approve August agenda			
Made by: Koshier		Seconded by: Johnson	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Motion to Adjourn: 7:30 pm

Motion: Move to close the meeting.			
Made by: Peper		Seconded by: Kenealy	
Discussion: None.			
Vote:	Yea: 7	Nay: 0	Abstain:
Decision: Unanimously Approved			

Next Meeting: August 18, 2015, 6:00 pm