

# Syringa Mountain School

## Board Meeting Minutes – 05-17-17

### Attending:

Randy Flood  
Amy Jonas  
Dena Buchman  
Bianca Grimm  
Christine Fonner  
Phoebe Pilaro  
Angi Hunter  
Amy Schlatter  
Tenaya Kolar  
Kristin Funk  
Myra  
Lori  
KS  
Cara D  
Evelyn Johnson

Meeting Called to Order by Randy Flood at 5:09pm. Board Members Present: Randy Flood (RF), Tenaya Kolar (TK), Angi Hunter (AH), Amy Jonas (AJ), Phoebe Pilaro (PP). Non Board Members: See list above

### Opening circle

#### Any additions:

AH - removed approval of 5/16 minutes

TK - requested to move executive session prior to approvals under new business

CF - requested motion for not to exceed amount for sonic wall

Public comment - Cara Douglas - requested board sent out communication message from board on continued leadership and distribution of responsibilities.

Lee Pesky rep - Evelyn Johnson, ED of Learning Center; brought proposal that SMS partner with Lee Pesky counselors regarding intervention education/opportunities for 2017/18; they have received funding from a grant and want to share that with our school. Would institute “self regulation models” focusing on mindfulness and self-monitoring. Discussion around how it would fit and what grades would be most impacted. BOD asked the staff to review and give input.

Consent agenda - approval of May 12th, 2017 BOD WS minutes

TK - motion to approve the minutes; AJ - 2nd; no discussion, AIF, none opposed

Leadership Report - none available

CF - IRI testing completed scores due 5/19/19; ISAT done and scores due next week; will compare against this year’s goals

CF and Myra have been working on the after/extended care licensing for families. App is going in and answer hope to come by 9/1/17.

Sonic wall replacement proposal - currently impacting Presence Learning; \$2500 - 3000 to replace and support. CF requesting not to exceed motion.

RF - would like to push request until after June. No approved motion.

#### Old Business

Financial update - no reports received by SK

starting 7/1 with \$65k, starting 8/1 (\$9k) need \$87k by August 2017

major funds for summer are for contractual salaries

CF - need staffing, budget numbers and enrollment to request early payment from the state

#### Fundraising Updates - CF

received \$1200 this month in grant money; working on \$80k seagraves grant; applied for 15 grants other than seagraves - 3 rejections, \$10k received; typically get 20-30% of ask.

#### Parent Council Update – TK

not much here; good community event (Hoe Down); talking about changing the auction part next year; revamp the events

#### Teacher Update - AS

AS - good idea from B. Brokaw in Town Hall meeting about inviting parents in the last week of school; mini conferences/wrap up.

#### Enrollment/Marketing Committee Update - CF 136-138 enrolled; registration packets due 5/18/17

TK - are we working enrollment this summer

CF - prefer not to chase anyone, it will stand where it is

#### New Business

- a) see earlier comment on sonic wall
- b) after executive session; is part of budget approval (CF)

620pm Executive session - roll call in: AJ, TK, PP, AH, RF

Roll call out 822pm AJ, TK, AH, RF (PP left session early 745pm)

- c) motion to hire first internally then go to external market - TK made the motion; AJ 2nd, no discussion, AIF, none opposed
- d) motion to begin shifting to 4 pillars governance model with continued discussion and timeframe includes reallocating responsibilities and presenting to each pillars representative - AJ made the motion; Tk 2nd; discussion from RF that this is something that will be done over time and that admin remains in place to create stability. Wants Ms. Fonner to stay in year 1 of transition. AIF, none opposed.
- e) motion to approve the 2017/18 budget v6.0 with deficit of \$180,953 and with potential of it being a \$217,000 deficit depending on the outstanding variable items.  
TK made the motion; AJ 2nd the motion, no other discussion. AIF - RF, TK, AJ / AH - opposed.

- f) motion for K. Tate to be added to PC account as signer. TK made the motion; AJ - 2nd; AIF, none opposed.

Meeting adjourned 948pm