



**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTING MEETING
February 16, 2017, 6:30 PM**

Attendees: Craig Gibson, Harold Smith, Michelle Boyd, Diane Hope, Sarah Pilacik, Marilyn Thomas, Christine Gehring, Talon Harakal, Kaya She, Bryce Atherholt, Bayan Toulebadei

Board Members: Eva Swymelar, Shawn Glick, Peggy LaGarde, Dan Rufo, Anthony Bragoli, Martha Summers, Monica Reynolds, Mike Gahr

- 1) Call to order - Kent Smith called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM
- 2) Opening statements – None
- 3) Review & accept minutes from January 19, 2016 voting meeting. – **VOTE**
A.Bragoli made a motion to accept the minutes and M.Gahr. seconded. The motion passed
- 4) Outcome if student hearing
 - a) Student A - Violation of School Policy - Committee recommended expulsion - **VOTE**
P.LaGarde made a motion to confirm recommendation and E.Swymelar seconded. The motion passed.
- 5) Academy Council Report - (5 minutes)
Bryce Atherholt, Kaya She, Talon Harakal - Lower School
 - PSSA Prep-Rally
 - Reading Phillies
 - Former Teacher - shout outs
 - New Bulletin Board - Teacher of the month
 - Water Bottle sale - Feb 1, 2017 - \$10
 - SPCA Food DriveBayan Toulabadei - Upper School
 - Fundraising - Spring locker clean out
 - Match-a-matics
 - Student of the month - 2 per month
 - Dance - Alumni DJ
 - Spring Fling
 - Black History Month presentation
 - Food collection - Food Fight
 - “Stall Day”
 - RA Spa day
- 6) Committees Meeting updates - Committee Chairs



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- a. Finance Committee – Kent Wenger, (5 minutes)
 - i. Discussion of 2017/2018 Budget and assumptions
 1. No real enrollment growth
 2. Preliminary budget is good
 - ii. PA Budget - Does not include any SPED funding cuts
 - iii. Keystone Alliance
 1. Make permanent for Charters to maintain a reserves fund
 2. Facility Funding
 3. Extend life of Charters from 5 - 10 years
- b. Curriculum Committee – Dan Rufo, (5 minutes)
 - i. Reading program pilot - going well
 - ii. Technology Task Force
 - iii. AP Comp - going wonderfully
- c. Development Committee – Dan Rufo, (5 minutes)
 - i. Goals for next year
 - ii. Denise will move more to school development
 - iii. Teacher liaison will be taking on fundraising
- d. HR Committee - Kathleen Drennan, (5 minutes)
 - i. Developing CEO Evaluation tool for Charter schools
 - ii. Samples have been gathered
 - iii. Process of selection of benchmarks for assessment
- e. Legislative Awareness
 - i. Meeting has been decided to made ad-hoc
 - ii. Committee will reconvene when PA budget is a concern

7) Business Manager's report - Carol Schaeffer (5 minutes)

- a. Approve Business Manager's monthly report – **VOTE**

A.Brigoli made a motion to approve the Business Manager's Report and E. Swymelar seconded. The motion passes

8) CEO's report – (5 minutes)

- a. Staff roster update – **VOTE**

A.Brigoli made a motion to approve the Business Manager's Report and P. LeGarde seconded. The motion passes

9) Principals' reports (5 minutes each)

- Michelle Boyd
 - Minding Your Mind presentation - Feb 22nd
 - Scholarships - broke \$6 million - still early in the acceptance year.
- Christine Herman
 - School Choice Week - Moms and Muffins/Dads and Donuts
 - Muffins with Teacher - for next year
 - Video



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- Poster Contest
- 100th day of school celebration
- Supplies for Costa Rica trip
- Spelling Bee - 3rd grader won Phoenixville
- Wellness presentation
- Ukulele Circle offered

10) Dean of Students - working on a list of appeal information/next steps

11) OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Building and Grounds Issues - Diane Hope
 - a. Plan submission to Borough
 - i. Have not been submitted as of yet
 - b. Included Street Vacation and Lots 4 & 6 (Playground)
2. Second reading of proposed policy 823 - Administering Naloxone (Narcan)
 - a. No comments

11) NEW BUSINESS

12) Public Comment

None

13) Adjournment - 7:13

S. Glick made a motion to approve the Business Manager's Report and M. Gahr seconded. The motion passes

14) Executive Session – was held