Minutes

Date & Time 9/25/2017 6:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Leah Studaker

# **In Attendance**

Angela Guse, Leah Studaker, Chris Castagneri, Naveen Aggarwal, Lisa Andrican, Guests Randi Schapiro, Joe Aliperto, David Greenberg

# **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes need to be read from the August 28th meeting and approved with a motion Angela, 2nd Naveen, motion carried.

# **Board**

1. October Meeting is moved to 16th, 2017, the third Monday of the Month.
2. Joe will prepare the promissory note for the loans to the account. Bank said they do not require two signatures, but our board requires it. Randi suggested when we get going, that we have a finance committee. Bank gave us two debit cards, will keep on file.
3. Chris made the motion: “That board members loan Three Rivers Montessori $260, if they are able, to be repaid when other funds are available or raised for the school or by Jan 1, 2019.” Angela Seconded, Motion carried.
4. Need treasurer, Randi will be willing to be on our Finance committee. Angela said she will be the interim treasurer, Naveen moved, Rocky seconded.
5. Guest David Greenberg came, handed out a calendar of items to do if we want to open next year. He will meet likely monthly, on-going and in June to have a ‘ready to operate’ meeting to judge if we are ready to meet. Discussion of how to hold meetings,
6. Welcome Rocky, discussed his background. Angela motioned to accept Rocky as a board member, Lisa seconded, Motion carried.
7. Letter sent to interested parties to invite to board and help us with our activities. May have found a teacher for our board, Leah will update next meeting.

# **Budget**

* Joe said Federal government will have updates to funding as of September 30, so he is checking daily. Possibly will open up applicants this fall, for funding in spring, lot’s to do if the applications open up. David said the application to them aligns well with these grant apps for streamlining.
* Joe said he would put together instructions on bookkeeping and policies for us.
* Need proposals together for corporate donations. Naveen said he suggests we show location of where school is, business plan, cashflow, to project ourselves well, so we need to do background work before approaching them, and understand their budgeting process.
* What do we think about the EB5 program, discussion of the possibilities of using it for funding, Naveen explained.

# **New Business**

Discussion of building.

Kelley Farm has been contacted and is not answering, Rocky suggested we show up.

Contacting Kent Rossler about his offer of a building, MN school of business is a possibility, and old district building downtown on Hwy 10, suggested we stay on the waiting list for the Handke spots if they open up, we need to contact Rocky discussed town halls, old town halls,

Angela, district does not have the room in Handke, rooms are full. Sandstone school did not open, so we are hoping they will donate to us their Montessori supplies. Leah will follow up.

Approach VFW for donation. Lions. Rotary.

Teacher grant information, Leah asked if Randi would write copy that we can publish, that we are looking for people to hire. Randi will get ready, but building and district numbers are important.

Treasurer and licensed teacher, Chris will post on website that we are looking. As well as social media. Positions available.

Rocky suggested we hold a meeting, public,

Set meeting date, November 13th, tentative community school meeting. Convert Rocky’s presentation for this meeting.

# **Committee Reports**

No further discussion.

# **Announcements**

No further discussion.

# **Next Meeting**

Chris Moved we adjourn, Angela Seconded, motion approved.

Monday, October 16th, Perkins of Elk River, 6-8 PM.

Lisa moved to adjourn, Naveen Second, Motion carried.