Minutes

Date & Time 11/27/17 6:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Leah Studaker

# **In Attendance**

Angela Guse, Leah Studaker, Chris Castagneri, Lisa Andrican, Gwen Fromm, Rocky Martin, Maritza Pechan

# **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the October 23, Motion to approve, Gwen, 2nd Lisa, Motion carried.

# **Board**

Leah: Led discussion of Intro Meeting Nov. 12 to the public; had two families and interested office help from attendees, will continue outreach. Asked attendees to spread the word.

# **Budget**

* Financing- CSP Grant- Joe’s Update, it still has not come out yet from State, no application out. Could be anytime. He does have a copy from another school last year that we can model our application after.
* Still waiting on the Non-profit Tax ID Number, still waiting.
* Angela- Update on Acct. Balance. Balance is $790.
* Our proposal to get corporate donor/partnership- Naveen is taking lead.
* Discussion of EB5 Program Naveen talked about and whether we should explore. Lisa made motion to give Naveen the go ahead to look into it further and present options to the board, with supporting documents for public about what it is, Gwen 2nd the motion, Motion carried. Rocky abstained from vote. Leah will let Naveen know to go ahead and present next meeting. Board members are asked to send questions to Naveen that they want answered.

# **New Business**

* Teacher Grants Application Process -Randi is starting, tabled discussion in Randi’s absence.
* Rocky- Possible Rental sight- the old Saxon Dealership on 10; Discussion as potential site, nothing confirmed. We want to start our detailed parameters for our building needs if this goes forward, with future plans. Rocky will come back to next meeting with a plan and present to board. Location meets some of our goals of having outdoor environmental space, garden, etc.
* Angela called Hanke to see about renting facility space; Update, left a message will update next meeting.
* The ACNW has a New School Start-up Guide, has dates on what needs to be done. Maritza will look at the document and possibly come back with a board calendar plan next meeting.
* Angela’s Spring Montessori Make & Takes/informational events at Hanke w/in the Community Ed. Event will go forward in spring to get in the community brochure. Angela will call to see if the window is still open for Spring submission and said she can commit to up to two events.

# **Committee Reports**

* New volunteers or interest? Possibly a new board member that has done program management; Maritza Pechan. Maritza stated she is interested in being on the board and will let us know next month. Welcome Maritza in whatever fashion you decide to be involved!
* Computer Update- Any new Data/ Logos/Website- Fundraising Link?

# **Announcements**

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* Gwen has stated she would like to step down from the board due to family needs. Will continue to help out when she can. Thank you Gwen for your help, and service, we truly appreciate you.
* Board Training Opportunities with MACS, we need to link up with them, Leah will forward to board members and ask David to update us and let us know what training board members need to do each year, and participate in.
* Board Training on Bylaws from Craig Kepler - perhaps two 1.5-hour sessions: Let’s do Doodle Poll—Leah will do the Doodle Poll to see what works best. Board members are asked to fill out survey when it comes in.
* Reminder to board members to be social, post, and like us on Facebook to encourage activity on our Facebook page.

# **Next Meeting**

**Monday Dec. 18th, 2017| 6-8 at the Elk River Perkins**

Motion to adjourn by Angela, Lisa 2nd, Motion carried.