

Board of Directors Meeting
Bdote Learning Center
3216 E. 29th St. Minneapolis, MN 55406
4:30-6:00
November 27, 2017
Meeting Minutes

1. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Board members present: Louise Matson, Beth Brown, Graham Hartley, Jenn Hall, Joe Rice, Inyan Walking Elk, Raine Cloud, Michelle Fluhr-Fraser

Board members absent: Sheila Zephier, Beth Brown

Guests: Tony Scallon, Nicole Schmidt, Cindy Ward-Thompson

B. Louise Matson called the meeting to order at 4:36 pm.

C. Jenn Hall made a motion to approve November agenda with edits. Joe Rice seconded the motion. Approved.

D. Thank you certificate presented to Tony Scallon, outgoing member and founding board member for Bdote Learning Center.

C. Jen Hall made a motion to approve October BOD Minutes. Graham Hartley seconded the motion. Approved.

2. Finance

Graham Hartley presented the September 2017 Financial Report.

Graham Hartley made a motion to approve the monthly finance packet and the checks. Jen Hall seconded the motion. Approved

Discussion: Audit will be provided to the board prior to the next board meeting and Nichole and Graham will provide a descriptive report on the 18th. Bdote is up for reauthorization with IQS and hopes to acquire a 3-year contract. There is a financial hurdle, budget needs to be approved for next year at next board meeting in December. The approved amount can be changed and voted on in the future, if needed.

3. A Team Leadership Report printout was provided.

4. New Business

A. BOD Committees

Discussion: Committees are listed below to include current board membership.

Governance Committee (BOD Officers, School Administrator) plans to meet prior to next BOD meeting.

Finance Committee (Graham H., Jenn H.)

Curriculum Committee (Jenn H., Shiela Z., Raine C., Michelle F.-F., Angela T.S.)

Personnel Committee (Joe R., Louise M., Inyan W.E.),

Advisory Council, (Beth B., Graham H.) tentatively planning first meeting on Dec. 21, 2017.

Parent Committee (Inyan W.E., Raine C.) – Next meeting December 1st, 2017 at BLC.

Elder Council Planning (Joe Rice, Beth Brown, Inyan Walking Elk) – met on Oct. 27, 2017.

Facility Committee – (Michelle F.-F.) on hiatus at this time.

5. Election of Officers

Nominees:

Chair: Louise Matson

Vice-Chair:

Treasurer: Graham Hartley

Secretary: Inyan Walking Elk

Jenn Hall made a motion to re-seat the current officers. Joe Rice seconded. Approved.

Jenn Hall made a motion to seat new board members. Joe Rice seconded. Approved.

6. Public Comment

Samuel Wounded Knee, father to Bdote student and Dakota community member, expressed school safety protocol and inquired as to what Bdote's plan is in the event of different emergency circumstances (active shooter, trespasser). Door jammers were discussed as a possible remedy to emergency situations in the classroom. A need for a communication system to notify parents and families is still needed. Text alerts, phone call alert, and email alert systems were all discussed as possible solutions, but no solution for a communication system was determined at this time. Cindy Ward-Thompson shared that the school uses a Code Red and Code Yellow drill system. She added that she and staff at BLC is interested and willing to learn more about options like door jammers for safety planning.

7. Joe Rice made a motion to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.