

Board of Directors Meeting
Bdote Learning Center
3216 E. 29th St. Minneapolis, MN 55406
4:30-6:00
June 26, 2017
Meeting Notes

1. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Board members present: Louise Matson, Beth Brown, Graham Hartley, Joe Rice, Inyan Walking Elk, and Tony Scallon

Board members absent: Jen Hall, Kate Beane, Sheila Zephier

Guests present: Joe Gillespie, Ron Ringle, Marie Kunze, Frank Valinsky, Nicole Schmidt, and Cindy Ward-Thompson

B. Louise Matson called the meeting to order at 4:39 pm.

C. Agenda - Joe Rice made a motion to approve agenda with edits. Beth Brown seconded the motion. Approved.

C. Approve Minutes – Graham Hartley made a motion to approve minutes with edits. Tony Scallon seconded the Motion. Approved.

2. Public Comment

Joe Gillespie, of St. Albert's, shared messages of gratitude to Bdote and a little history of the facility. Honest and consistent communication between the two has kept the relationship in good standing.

3. Finance

Graham Hartley and Nicole Schmidt presented the May 2017 Financial Report. Graham Hartley made a motion to approve the monthly finance packet and approve the checks. Beth Brown seconded. Approved

Discussion: Holdbacks are an on-going constraint. MIAC says they're not able to reconcile their amounts with Bdote's and this has caused a delay in payout for the MIAC language grant. The discrepancy may be caused by Year 1 to Year 2 rollover amounts. Handout provided.

Bdote Learning Center FY2018 Budget (2017-2018)

Graham Hartley made a motion to approve the FY2018 Budget for Bdote. Joe Rice seconded the motion. Approved.

Discussion: Special Ed need increase and extra staff. Talked about ADM being adjustable in EDRS

Budget packet provided.

4. A Team Leadership Report was given by Cindy Ward Thompson.

Discussion: Facebook issue. Teacher licensing, BLC submitting four community expert provisions. Hiring update –Dakota teacher for 5/6 grade still needed and ADSIS Math Coach. ANA Grant Application submitted Thursday evening at 10 PM. Title VI and Parent Committee.

Handout

5. New Business

A. Local Indian Education Parent Committee (LIEPC):

Discussion: Last parent meeting of the year went well. In preparation for 2017-2018 school year, LIEPC will be providing a parent contract to encourage family engagement and a concerns and solutions checklist. LIEPC member families will also participate in the re-painting of the Bdote gym after St. Albert's completes wall repairs.

B. Advisory Committee Update.

Beth Brown provided a list of recommendations to the BOD. Joe Rice made a motion to accept recommendations. Tony Scallon seconded. Approved.

AC presented their Recommendations to the Board of Directors. Recommendations were made for a full-time social worker to be at the school to improve attendance. AC also recommended that Student Language Development Assessments be provided to ALL students, that translation and creation of texts in Dakota and Ojibwe be acquired and translated for BLC students utilization, that Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Committee meet actively to support and be involved in reaching AC's goals. AC also discussed MAP testing results, Addition of MN Americorps Math and Reading Tutors, Exploration of Peer Mentorship for Students Grade 5 and up, Increase Community Involvement and Additional staff (half-time psych intern, 1 Phy. Ed. Teacher, 2 5th-6th grade teachers)

C. Vote to Ratify ANA Resolution:

Louise Matson provided an update that the Governance Committee approved an ANA Resolution to support BLC's efforts to acquire an ANA grant. Tony Scallon made a motion to Ratify the ANA resolution. Joe Rice seconded. Approved.

D. Vote on Identified Official with Authority (IOWA). Formerly was Angela Christians, would like to make it Cindy Ward Thompson. Tony Scallon made a motion to make Cindy the IOWA for BLC. Beth Brown seconded. Approved.

7. Tony Scallon made a motion to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.