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Feb. 27th, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM Room 120

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

School Mission Statement: STRIDE Academy nurtures individuals while fostering leadership and empowering students to attain their highest potential in a family-centered environment.

Members present: Sara Fromm, Eric Williams, Hannah Dornbusch, Aaron Lundblad, Suzy McIntyre, Andy Lyman, Barika Davis

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

- A. Mission Statement of STRIDE Academy

II. Approval of Agenda Motion to approve with the removal of item A under Business made by Davis, Second by Lyman. Motion carries.

III. Consent Agenda **Approved**

- A. Minutes
- B. Finance Report
- C. Treasurers Report
- D. Approve to Add Officers for STRIDE Affiliated Building Company. - Cory Heinen - Chair; Neil Theisen - Vice Chair; Monica Schraut - Treasurer
- E. Set Board Election Voting Window for the first two weeks of May. Results tabulated on May 18
- F. Approve Simply Voting to be used to tabulate 2020 board elections
- G. Approve to post for Assistant Principal Position
- H. Approve to Change Student Registration Form to Student Application Form to align with statute.
- I. Approve to hire Jean Reum as first grade Long Term Substitute for Molly Cardenas effective March 27th through the end of the year.
- J. Approve to hire Judith Steil as second grade Long Term Substitute for Jenna Goebel effective May 4th through the end of the year.

K. III. Public Comment **No comments**

The School Board welcomes input from community members and staff.

Each person addressing the council shall give his/her name for the record. Each person making public comment is limited to three minutes. Comments should be kept courteous and professional and directed to the board as whole. After the speaker has made his or her statement, he or she will be seated with no further comment, dialogue or debate.

V. Reports

A. Executive Director

○ Special Education Director Report

- **Special guest, Marlene Grindland shared very exciting information regarding a letter from MDE received with a Notifications of No Findings as a result of being monitored, which is not an easy thing and not many schools received. For more details and information, please refer to the report.**

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- **KG registration night March 12th**
- **50 KG students register so far for next year**
- **Radio commercial was done yesterday, will air starting next week**
- **Tama Thies & Sondra Erickson representatives visited our school and were very impressed**
- **We have selected 4 candidates for Principal position to be interview**
- **We are recommending to add 8th grade, still need full time position for Math among other positions**
- **As well as for Project Lead the Way - pre engineering program for elementary possible 5th, 6th & 7th grades**
- **No investors call this month**
- **Talked to Cory H about CDC to get more information on the Coronavirus to get a non pharmaceutical intervention plan guidance.**
- **Enrollment is at 452**
- **Sent out an invitation for next year, and if we get 5 students we will be at 502, I have a good feeling that we will have a waiting list on all the grades.**

B. Principal's Report

- **At the Representatives' visits, who they both were instrumental in Stride History, they were eager to see where we are and how far we've come. Sondra Erickson participated with a group during Rock N Read and they were very positive.**
- **Conferences were held at the beginning of February with 2 Interpreters in every hallway. Had a table at the front for check in, offered childcare and helped tremendously. We had over 90% attendance.**
- **Feb 14th KG had an event of decorating cookies and read books**
- **It's "I love to Read Month", and the Social Learning Coordinator put some events into place.**
- **PBIS has been working very hard with 2 days of training this week to map out more plans to promote great ways to create Positives incentives. That team is an invigorating team to be a part of.**
- **Tomorrow is the end of the 2nd trimester, report cards will be going after the break.**
- **Ms. Fromm asked about the 7th graders behavior, Ms. Moeller responded that they are doing better, with a handful of them still being a challenge but about 40 of them are doing great**

C. Standing Committee Report

- Academic Excellence
 - See report attached
 - Met on Feb 11th and will meet on March 10th
 - Motion to approve the addition of 8th grade for next year
- Governance
 - Met on tuesday Feb 25th at 4:30
 - Discussed and recommended changing the application online for enrollment form to reflect the findings in the MDE audit for Special Ed. since it was inconsistent with our policies and make sure to update our website.
 - Recommend Simply Voting again to tally the Board elections since it provides the opportunity for people to vote and makes it easy for tabulation.
 - We reviewed class counts for next year, school was at 49 the committee is going to evaluate class sizes in April.
 - For more information, see the attached report.
 - Ms Davis asked Mr. Williams the student ratio; 20 students per teacher for next year KG. If it goes over 60 then we have to ask the board permission for another section or just leave it cap at 60.
- Finance and Budget
 - Reach out to our bondholders requesting an increase on our line of credit to \$200,000.00
 - More information next meeting when Ms. Lundin will be present

VI. Business

- A. Approve Revised Budget table for next month's Board meeting due to Ms. Lundin absent.
- B. Sign Non Nondisclosure Agreement for Sharing Assessment and Accountability Results
- C. Approve to add 8th grade for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion to approve made by Lundblad, Second by Dornbusch. Motion carries.

VII. Adjourn 7:06 pm