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Jan 20, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM STRIDE Academy Library

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call **6:00 PM Members present: Sara Fromm, Eric Williams, Aaron Lundblad (via zoom), Andy Lyman, Suzy McIntyre, JOe Pundsack, Steve Swenson, Hassan Yussuf (6:18pm)**
Members of the Public: Gwen Anderson, Nathan Schwieters, Mara Kramer

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

II. Approval of Agenda **Motion to approve made by Lyman, Seconded by Pundsack. Motion carries.**

III. Consent Agenda **Approved**

1. Board Meeting Minutes
2. Finance Report
3. Approve to increase hours for Leave for Mary Molitor to 5 hours/week
4. Accept Resignation from Susan Iverson, Teacher
5. Accept Resignation from Lisa Falk, Teacher
6. Accept Resignation from Stefanie Rothstein, Part time Social Emotional Coordinator
7. Reassign Kayla Silverberg to Full time Social Emotional Coordinator
8. Approve to Hire Ashley Gibson, Teacher
9. Approve to Hire Bashir Duale, Academic Interventionist
10. Approve to Hire Yasmin Ismail, Paraprofessional
11. Approve Extended Leave Request from Eric Williams, Executive Director effective July 1st 2022.

IV. 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

1. Board Presentation: *"Understanding Trauma and how to Be a Trauma Informed School"*, Jessica Westby and Jessica Sowers **Postponed, we'll reschedule it for next month.**
2. Executive Director

- Cancellations of school due to weather are if -30 One of the Provisions in the state law about E learning we can do up to 5 days for inclement weather and is not ideal but is an option.
- If 742 closes we could stay open but we will have to pay for the buses and it will break our backs. But we will be ok because of the number of hours that we have.
- Paras presented a petition concerned about losing paid days due to weather cancellation. We will be meeting with them on Friday after school.
- Enrollment is at 528

3. Principal's Report

- We have been working prior to Break on a survey trying to get more information from staff. Only about ½ the staff responded. I will be meeting next Monday with the leadership team to discuss the results.
- Our new SEL Personalized learning specialist Kayla Silverberg will be going from 2 positions into one.
- I attended this afternoon a Mental Health Forum
- We continue supporting the 8th grade leadership helping the KG during lunch and doing some tutoring with the 6th graders.
- We have had some challenges with finding Substitutes and with the Leadership team Proposal, Administration to increase comfort to the subs and Nate's leading Interventionist with the ML Department has been critical to the survival of keeping us In Person.
- We hired Bashir Duale - School Interventionist
- Sahane Raabi is teaching the Somali course.
- We had 2 Covid clinics.
- Nadia Lamin won the Spelling Bee
- School Choice will be next week.

4. Assistant Principal's Report

- Lunch with The Principals has been wonderful, proactive and lots of students. About 40 students.
- NWA testing is on the way with staff already starting training.
- Pokemon Club & Girls basketball started today with over 20 kids attending.
- We moved from doing unannounced lockdowns drills to announcing drills to avoid stress on students and staff.
- Community reached The Elks basketball shooting contest with the largest number of attendance on January 2nd and meeting again January 22
- The Tech Team is replacing projectors, working with the swivels to make sure they are ready for teachers when needing them. Replacing and repairing lots of chromebooks and Ipads and Upgrading every desktop in the school.
- Working on security cameras quotes
- KG now have Ipads
- Regarding the Hats and Hoods situation with students we will be having a meeting with a new Uniform Committee first and then with

families to hear the feedback in regards to what kids are wearing and come up with a plan.

5. Standing Committee Report

a. Academics Excellence

- Met on Dec 13, 2021
- World's Best Workforce Presentation

b. Governance Committee

- Met on Dec 14, 2021
- Jessica Sowers provided an overview of the presentation that she and Jessica Westby will be presenting on the next board meeting.

c. Finance and Budget













- We met 1/19/2022
- Kelly Rimpila provided a summary of the December financials.
- We are working with a budget of 497 students so we are above budget and next week we will revise the budget together with KDV-Adam
- We are ½ way through and our cash balance is \$948,912.00

VI. Business

1. First Reading and Approval of Policy 715A Early Admission to Kindergarten **Motion to approve made by Suzy McIntyre, seconded by Andy Lyman. Motion carried**
2. Approve to Work with Ten Square for the purpose of Land Acquisition **Motion to approve made by Andy Lyman, seconded by Joe Pundsack. Motion carried**

VII. Adjourn **6:33pm**

Public Attachments:

-  [11_18_21 Board meeting minute.docx](#)
-  [Finance Report December 16th.docx](#)
-  [Stride FY22 November Financial Report.pdf](#)
-  [Stride Supplemental Info- November 2021.pdf](#)
-  [Policy 715A EARLY ADMISSION TO KINDERGARTEN.docx](#)
-  [Request for Extended Leave.docx](#)
-  [TS Proposal to Stride Academy 11 10 21 \(1\).docx](#)
-  [Stride FY22 December Financial Report.pdf](#)
-  [Stride Supplemental Info- December 2021.pdf](#)
-  [Governance Committee Report 12-14-2021.docx](#)
-  [21.12.13 AEC Report.docx](#)
-  [Finance Report for January 19th 2022.docx](#)

Groups audience:

- Private group -