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July 21, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM STRIDE Academy Library

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

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call **6:00 PM Members present: Sara Fromm, Eric Skanson, Andy Lyman, Hassan Yussuf, Suzy McIntyre**
Members of the Public: Mara Kramer, Angie Lichy, Nate Scwhieters, Kelly from KDV

Mission Statement of STRIDE Academy

Conflict of Interest Declaration: No member of the board of directors, employee, officer, or agent of a charter school shall participate in selecting, awarding, or administering a contract if a conflict of interest exists.

II. Approval of Agenda **Motion to approve made by Andy Lyman, seconded by Suzy McIntyre.**
Motion carried.

III. Consent Agenda **Approved**

- A. Approve Minutes of June
- B. Approve School Board Meeting Schedule 2022-2023.
- C. Approve Mikaela Yager, Title 1 Teacher
- D. Approve Amanda Jacques, 4th Grade Teacher
- E. Approve Review and Comment Submission to MDE
- F. Adopt Activities Handbook for 22-23
- G. Approve Activities Stipends for 22-23
- H. Approve Coaches/Advisors Handbook 22-23
- I. Accept Resignation from Jennifer Marshall, MS Science and Math Teacher

J. Accept Resignation from Abby Lancaster, Technology Teacher

IV. Public Comment **No Comments**

The School Board welcomes input from community members and staff. Each person addressing the council shall give their name for the record. Each person making a public comment is limited to three minutes. Comments should be kept courteous and professional and directed to the board as a whole. After the speaker has made their statement, they will be seated with no further comment, dialogue, or debate.

V. Reports

A. Executive Director Report

- **Just got done with our 3 days Administrator Retreat.**
- **Worked on the Handbook review; Employee, The Staff and Students.**
- **Working on a communication plan for external stakeholders and how to communicate within Stride and how to go to and for what.**
- **Talk about a book called Traction and about Goal settings.**
- **Reviewed discipline procedures and board policies.**
- **Plan a picnic for all staff before school starts.**
- **Review the finances with Kelly Rimpila KDV**
- **Made some initial contact with strategic planners as it is expiring this year.**
- **MSBA - subscribe with them again.**
- **Buildings update, painting around the hallways, lockers with lots updates still to do.**
- **ABC is meeting tomorrow**
- **Contact Pillsbury United to make connections with.**
- **Future work - review job descriptions match with what is going on.**
- **We have decided to recommend a No Uniform required policy for the students for School year 22-23.**
- **We will also be asking to change for staff to be allowed to wear professional jeans any day of the week. We will be sending the message out to families tonight using Skyward.**

B. Principals' Reports

- **Nate Schwieters**
- **Summer school is about to end next with an average attendance of 60 students which is half of the amount that registered. Lunch and "NO" uniforms went well.**
- **The move went well, having the Middle school set up in one side of the building and the elementary in the other side.**
- **Staffing update - working diligently to fill up the positions.**

- Working with transportations - submitted the request today to the bussing company.
- It's been a pleasure working with Skanson & Lichy and giving them the history of Stride Academy.
- Working with different schedules to help with the transitions time of students in between classes.
- Created a Middle school committee to develop new plans.
- **Ms. Angie Lichy**
- I want to thank everyone for being so helpful and pleasant.
- Want the staff to get to know us and trust us since we're new.
- Just had 3 new hires for Title 1, 4th grade.
- Start meeting all the staff one on one.
- Curriculum Committee- meeting before school starts.
- Onboard new staff in August so they can feel connected.
- Onboard with all paras the day before school starts so they can feel like they belong and have communication.
- Our goal is RELATIONSHIP, COMMUNICATION, CONSISTENCY AND HIGH EXPECTATION.
- Pilot FastBridge on MTSS system and Forms of Wonders, Amplified.
- We want Dahir to take us to the community to get to know some of the families with his help.

C. Standing Committee Reports

- a. Academic Excellence Committee - **Didn't meet**
- b. Governance **-Didn't meet**
- c. Finance
 - Enrollment is at 542
 - Building company will be able to pay some of the improvements
 - Will be working on the June finances until mid August

VII. Unfinished Business

A. STRIDE Land Acquisition

- **TenSquare offered a timetable of what to expect in the upcoming months.**

VIII. New Business

a. Capital Improvements

- **ABC will be meeting tomorrow and will be asking for up to \$60k for improvements including the front office, 3 classrooms carpeting.**


b.

XI. Announcements


- Mr. Schwieters, Mrs. Lichy & Mr. Skanson will be going to a Back to School Conference on August 1st offered by MDE.**

IX. Adjourn **6:56pm**

Public Attachments:

 [2022-2023 Proposed Activity Stipends - Google Docs.pdf](#)

 [Amanda Jacques Board Rec.docx - Google Docs.pdf](#)

 [Mikaela Yager Board Rec.pdf](#)

 [School Board Meeting Schedule 22-23.pdf](#)

 [Stride Resignation.pdf](#)

 [STRIDE Academy Review and Comment 7-14-22.docx](#)

 [STRIDE coaches-advisors Handbook 2022-2023.pdf](#)

 [STRIDE Activities Handbook 2022-2023.pdf](#)

Groups audience:

School Board

