



TRCS Board MINUTES

September 19, 2017 - Tuesday 4:00 PM

4:00 – 5:00

Vision:

Academic Excellence and leadership experiences will empower us all to change the world.

Mission:

Build a community with the belief that becoming creative, compassionate, accountable leaders, we will positively change all of society.

Core Values:

- RESPECT
- INTEGRITY
- PASSION FOR EXCELLENCE
- INNOVATIVE EDUCATION
- ENTHUSIASTIC LEARNING
- HONOR INDIVIDUAL UNIQUE & DIVERSE CONTRIBUTIONS

2017-18 Board of Directors Goals

ROUGH DRAFT (Will not be published on TRCS WEBSITE until finalized)

Executive Sessions:

1. Search for new Administrator - a. Job Description, b. Identify what we're looking for c. Activate head hunter(s). Goal to hire by April

Public Meetings:

2. Community Building - several board approved events throughout the year that Sheila and Karen are going to recommend. Not fundraisers, just to bring community together for fun.

3. Parent Education - three per year. Themes- technology/transitions/ perspectives

4. Diversify lottery base - increase dollars from WLWV to reduce need for Kid's First and allow us to scholarship lower income families

Present: Lisa MsEldowney, John Martin, Denise Collins, Elizabeth Mathis, Sheila Walker, Kate Ray, Karen Gault, Katherine Holtgraves, Merilee Bales (via phone)

Absent: None

4:00 – Open the meeting – Welcomed visitors SueAnn and Rob Williams (parents), Barb Murray (new TRCS educator)

Vote: Minutes from Retreat 8.25.17 Katherine Holtgraves moved that the minutes be approved; Kate Ray seconded – Board minutes from retreat approved – Passed unanimously.

4:05 – 4:15 Public Comment - None

4:15 – Board Roles for 2017-18

Vote on Positions for board:

Chair – Lisa McEldowney

Treasurer – John Martin

Secretary – Katherine Holtgraves

Notes for the board – Denise Collins

Human Resources and Development Committee

Lisa McEldowney, Katherine Holtgraves, Kate Ray

Facilities Committee –

Katherine Holtgraves, Elizabeth Mathis, John Martin

Finance Committee

Elizabeth Mathis, Katherine Holtgraves, John Martin

Kids First – Sheila Walker Parent Communication

Parent Committee: Karen Gault, Sheila Walker

Merilee Bales was added to Facilities Committee

Vote: Committees Finalized Denise moved and Katherine Holtgraves seconded a motion to accept the committees - Unanimously approved.

4:25 – 4:30 Consent Agenda

Board Policies Review and Approval

Financial Policies that also include:

Checks and Balances

Segregation of Duties

2017-18 Budget - Reviewed at Board Retreat.

Board By Laws Reviewed 2016/17 Board

Board Roles and Responsibilities

Student Behavior Policies (2017/18)

TRCS 2017/18 Calendar

Employment Policies (Executive Session).

Board Confidentiality Policy

TRCS 2013-2018 Strategic plan Review

Change in the Calendar – the Thursday early release, Oct 12, will not be an early release; no school to fit in all conferences.

Karen Gault noted that the board policies needed revision.

To do : KH to fix board policies – calendar and planner need to be updated.

Vote: Consent Agenda, Policies and Procedures of TRCS, Calendar of TRCS 2017/18

John Martin moved and Elizabeth Mathis seconded that the documents be approved with the changes – passed unanimously.

Board meeting dates – Agreed upon

- A) Oct. 17th
- B) November 14th
- C) January 9th
- D) February 13th
- E) April 10th
- F) May 8th
- G) June to be determined if needed

Katherine reviewed the request of the board at the retreat to have teachers visit the Board periodically. Barb Murray shared her joy in being at TRCS; finding true collaboration; communication is student-centered; family spirit; compliment to Torii Holtgraves for her positive redirection to the students as a mentor; excited about the 4/5 CCSS project – masks for North American “tales” and possible dramas to use the masks

Completed Staff Activities:

- 1st parent tea – After school 3:15 – 4:00 PM. September 12th. Open to all parents objective: Meet the new staff.
- New to TRCS Families – Invited to TRCS September 12th 7:00 – 8:00 PM. Gather at 7:00 to discuss school events and then open for questions. All staff attended.

Parent feedback from the event (Williamses) – event was positive; helps to meet staff to get a face with a name

Upcoming Staff/Parent Events

- Staff of TRCS Hosting Back to School night September 19, 2017 7:00 – 8:30 PM
- New Parent Conferences – September 21st – 1:00 – 4:00 PM.
- Returning Parent Conferences – October 11th (evening) and October 12th.
- End of OCTOBER – DATE – **10/30/17** - Parent Gathering – TECHNOLOGY – for any and all who wish to use a cell phone this year.

Finance Committee Report – Katherine

Kids first is doing well – money is coming in faster than previous years – yea!

No financial Statements – Budget is not approved. Will have them next board meeting. Audit done – late Nov. back; multi-check reader is needed in the future

Approval of the 2017/18 Budget Vote: Sheila Walker moved/ Kate Ray seconded – unanimously passed

Facilities Committee Report – Katherine

Some cement is to be repaired.

Acoustic treatment from this summer – THANK YOU, JOHN H and JOHN M. Students and staff feel they are making a difference!

Pavers – to be done in October behind the school where the picnic tables are; should help with drainage and protecting table legs. Would be an excellent thing for a fundraiser!

Surveyor being called to find boundary lines – want to make sure we have definite lines to prevent difficulties with the rugby people; rocks put to protect the cement pad

Electrical boxes in the IT room now make it too hot; will get air conditioning unit

More chairs and tables have been ordered

Fairy land has appeared under the oak tree

Administrator Report –

Report on the parent gatherings so far. Already done.

Start of School - New staff - being mentored

Thank you to Sheila for gift to teachers – very appreciated

Great to open in the new building

Visits by WLWV – Kathy Ludwig; Jennifer Spencer-Imes;

Public Session ends – 5:00 P.M.

Katherine Holtgraves moved, and John Martin seconded to end public session and proceed with executive session; unanimously passed.

Williamses thanked for coming!

Executive Session – 5:00 – 6:00