

Schoolcraft Learning Community
Board Meeting, Oak Hall
08-20-02

Attendance:

Kent Nerburn - P	Melanie Nelson - A	Frank Moe - P
Kris Kolar - P	Hilary Phukan - A	Lisa Graefe - P
Cathy Cravens - A	Mark Shanfeld - P	Ken Grantier - P

Guests: Julia Plum, Dennis Montgomery, Louise Mengelkoch

Staff Present: Rita Fauchald, Shar Paquette, Scott Anderson, Gerry Hoyum, Barb Houg

1. Call to Order - Kent Nerburn
2. Preview of the Agenda - Scott
3. Request to remove topic(s) fro the consent items
4. Consent Agenda

a. Official Designations

i. Newspaper - Ken Grantier moved that we use the Bemidji Pioneer as Schoolcraft's official newspaper, Lisa Graefe seconded. Motion carried unanimously

ii. Bank - First Federal Bank (FFB) is currently used as our main bank - Kris Kolar moved, Ken Grantier seconded that we remain with FFB as our official bank. Motion carried unanimously.

iii. Electronic transfers for payroll and withholding - Lisa Graefe moved that we continue with electronic transfers as we have been. Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Minutes of July 22, 2002 School Board meeting - Frank Moe moved and Kris Kolar seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Current Bills and Special Checks - Frank Moe moved, Lisa Graefe seconded to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Board permission for Barb Houg to pursue a Walton Foundation expansion/ continuation grant through MACS

e. Board authorization to accept the FLIP grant award of \$6800 to supplement our foreign language program.

Ken Grantier moved to accept the FLIP grant and pursue the Walton grant, Kris Kolar seconded, Motion carried unanimously.

5. New Business

a. staff contracts

i. Sue Liedl - through the 1st 2 trimesters and then will re-evaluate - paid through another title program

- ii. Linda Blessing - for the 1st trimester and then we will re-evaluate
- iii. Ron Brown - two hours per week

All 3 of these contracts will be issued as employees instead of independent contractors. Kris Kolar suggested taking out the last sentence in Linda's contract. Kent Nerburn wondered aloud whether the people we are hiring are consistent with our mission. Lisa Graefe moved to approve Sue Liedl's contract, Frank Moe seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Kris Kolar moved to approve Linda Blessing's contract with the last sentence removed, Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Kris Kolar moved to approve Ron Brown's contract, Lisa Graefe seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

iv. Greg Moen needs a generalist license - Gerry Hoyum presented. The Board needs to validate why Greg's program is unique, and that the Board supports the granting of the generalist license. The generalist license would be good for two years. Kent Nerburn spoke in favor of supporting this request. Ken Grantier wanted to indicate that the 8th grade state test results and the amount of gain in the ITBS showed that the students are getting the required information and then some. Greg did take a Math course this summer, and he will be able to continue getting this variance most likely for six years. It is projected that he would most likely have enough credits to get another endorsement at that time. Lisa Graefe moved that we strongly support Greg in his pursuit of the generalist license. Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Family Handbook changes

- i. Attendance
- ii. Birth Certificate
- iii. Immunization upgrades

Frank Moe moved to approve the Family Handbook proposed changes with the Board's minor corrections/additions, subject to the approval of the enrollment procedures being approved by Andrea Coffey, and with thanks to Shar and the PAC for their work on this document. Kris Kolar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Dennis Montgomery/Barb Houg- proposed the tentative timeline for Board Development/Long Range Planning Activities. A survey would be sent out early in the year to students, faculty, and parents for input. Information would be used during the board retreat. Frank Moe encouraged open response questions on the survey. Lisa Graefe suggested we look again at the Parent Survey from two years ago. There will most likely be different questions for each focus group. Kent Nerburn stated he thought it would be of benefit for Dennis to conduct interviews as an unbiased third party.

Barb will check into Kohl's Resort for the retreat on Sept. 28th, 8:30-4:00. Retreat is for Board members and the officers of the corporation.

- i. Election of Board Chair & Secretary - put on September's agenda
- ii. Compliance Person - one person to look at the laws and bylaws, etc, to make sure we are in compliance and Kris Kolar volunteered to be that person
- iii. Policies regarding Board of Directors - Ken Grantier suggested there were discrepancies between our proposed policies, bylaws, charter school law and Minnesota rules. Kris Kolar suggested that the Policy Committee get together and investigate these areas before we vote on the Policies- Ken Grantier will compile the discrepancies he found and will report to the Committee.

d. Frank Moe's resignation - or not - stayed tuned - he's here to stay. Yeah!

e. Close Newspaper Account - Rita - the account is not self-supporting, and we need a motion to close the account. Kris Kolar moved to close the account and put the funds in the gen. Ed. budget, earmarked for future papers. Mark Shanfeld seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Old Business - Committee Reports

Policy and Review Committee will be meeting again to identify discrepancies. Please review the list of issues and decide which committee(s) you as a Board member would like to serve on.

Frank Moe proposed that the committee (after comments from Board members and further discussion) will present at the next Board meeting. Lisa Graefe suggested that we also put committees on the agenda so that they can be established.

7. Questions

8. Adjournment: Ken Grantier moved adjourn, Lisa Graefe seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Shar Paquette