

Schoolcraft Learning Community Board Meeting Minutes  
March 16, 2004

*Informal Information Session:*

**6:00 to no later than 6:30:**

- Information from Director and other staff, parents and community members.
    - Reading and check-in
    - CAPP Arts Plan (Linda Blessing, Karen Bradley, Sue Cross, Lisa Robinson, Carla Patch)
    - Finance Committee (Rita, Ken, Greg)
      - Presented plans for the referendum revenue
      - State does not project any increase in WADM revenue for the next four years.
    - PAC Report (Shar and Rita)
      - Spring fundraiser will be happening soon. STAR team did a nice presentation. Annual meeting scheduled in May – looking for co-chairs, treasurer, and secretary. Lisa Graefe and Barb Houg spent some time discussing the Carver model.
    - Schools and communities working together (Barb) – 2 meetings held thus far. Professional development, legislation, other areas of collaboration.
    - Other individuals or groups
  - Documents highlighting Schoolcraft programs and related information
    - Report from artist-in-residence Mick LaBriola
    - MACS newsletter excerpt explaining Policy Governance and noting Schoolcraft's involvement in that effort
    - Gilfillan site visit report
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**Formal Agenda to begin at least by 6:30**

Call to Order

Attendance:  Kris Kolar                       Lisa Graefe                       Ken Grantier  
 Gerry Hoyum                       Greg Moen                       Kent Nerburn  
 Jim Conway

Guests Present: Sabrina Erickson

Staff Present: Rita Fauchald, Shar Paquette, Barb Houg, Linda Blessing, Karen Bradley, Sue Cross, Carla Patch, Lisa Robinson

Kris has received a letter of resignation from Greg Moen, effective immediately. She received it yesterday. This will need board approval/action. Ken moved to table acceptance of Greg's resignation. No second. Gerry moved that we accept Greg Moen's letter of resignation from the board. Jim seconded. Motion carried. 1 vote against - Ken. The board would like to have Greg come and visit with the board regarding his issues.

**Issue:** Consent Agenda (1 min)

- Minutes from last month
- Finance report/Current bills & checks

**Outcome:** Lisa moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Gerry seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Issue:** Review Director Limitations Policies regarding Treatment of Students/Families and Treatment of Staff (30 minutes)

**Outcome:** Determine whether the board is comfortable with any reasonable interpretation of the policies or would like to make any changes based on new information or new understanding of policies.

**Lisa moved to pass the amended director limitation policies in draft form, to be finalized at the April meeting. Ken seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Issue:** Monitoring Report of the sections of the Director Limitations policy addressing grievance procedures for staff and for students/families. (10 minutes)

**Outcome:** Decision whether to approve Director's monitoring report

Gerry moved to send Scott's 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the grievance report back to him to have him bring it into compliance with our newly approved draft policies. Jim seconded. Kris will discuss needed changes/addition with Scott. Motion carried unanimously.

**Issue:** Monitoring calendar (10 min.)

**Outcome:** Approve calendar outlining when the various policies will be monitored

Lisa moved to table the draft calendar until we finalize more of our policies. Jim seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Monitoring will continue.

This calendar should be available in the family handbook or in the newsletter.

**Issue:** Election process (5 minutes)

**Outcome:** Information is shared regarding election process. Any questions are answered.

**Person(s) Responsible:** Election committee (Gerry, Lisa, Kris) – will get together Monday to create a letter/ballot for mailing on Wednesday.

**Issue:** Board Composition (30 minutes)

**Background:** *January 2003 board meeting: Ken Grantier moved that the board be comprised of an even number of members, half of which would be teachers, the remaining half comprised of parents and community members. Mark Shanfeld seconded. Vote taken: 4 for, 3 against, 1 abstention.*

**March 2003 board meeting:** *Kent Nerburn moved that any decision regarding board composition and election procedures that is made, be binding for this year only, subject to be revisited next year. Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Positions available – Frank Moe moved that we implement a 4 parent/community members and 4 teacher board for this year. Ken Grantier seconded. Motion carried unanimously.*

**Outcome:** Decisions regarding 1) how many members will comprise the board; 2) whether to designate quotas for individuals from representative groups; and 3) whether to submit a waiver for teacher majority now or do this if needed following the outcome of the elections.

**This issue will depend on nominations received.**

**Issue:** Ends Policy development

**Outcome:** Determine global ends statement to use for the time-being (broadest statement of our purpose); list suggestions made by parents for obtaining owner input and determine next step for developing ends statements.

**Person Responsible:** Kris/Barb

Jim moved to table this issue until next meeting. Lisa seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**Issue:** Review page 1 (governing style) and page 4 (board member code of conduct) Governance Process Policies regarding Treatment of Students/Families and Treatment of Staff and page 5 of Director Limitations policies (regarding communication and support to the board).

**Outcome:** Determine whether the board is comfortable with any reasonable interpretation of the policies or would like to make any changes based on new information or new understanding of policies.

Jim moved to table this issue until next meeting. Lisa seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Gerry moved to adjourn. Jim seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Shar Paquette