

Schoolcraft Learning Community
School Board Meeting Agenda
11-18-2003 Paris
6:00 pm

Call to Order

Attendance

_X_Kent Nerburn _X_Ken Grantier _X_Kris Kolar
_X_Greg Moen _X_Jim Conway
_X_Gerry Hoyum _X_Lisa Graefe

Staff Present: Rita Fauchald, Shar Paquette, Scott Anderson

Guests Present: Sabrina Erickson, Julia Plum, Don Zierke

Kris called the meeting to order.

Opening Reading: Kris Kolar

Guests and delegations

1. Don Zierke - Miller, McDonald, Erickson & Moller - presenting the 2002-03 audit

a. Lisa Graefe moved that we accept the audit as presented. Jim Conway seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
b. Kent gave credit to Rita for doing a great job! Rita shared the credit with Scott and the great teachers who are willing to watch expenditures while offering great education.

2. Sabrina Erickson - Curriculum review request: The discussion revolved around the process for suggestions/concerns about curriculum. She also requested that a letter submitted via mail to the board by a former Schoolcraft parent about this topic be made part of the public record. This request will be looked into and responded to the author by Kris.

There was additional discussion about looking in to what type of process currently exists, the role, if any, of the board in that process, and any questions still remaining from any concerned parties at the next board meeting.

3. Julia Plum - Trek North representative - 1st and 2nd Tuesday of the month is Trek North's board meeting.

Consent Agenda

1. Minutes from October 21, 2003 meeting
2. Current Bills and Checks
3. MACS legislative platform
4. Exit Survey
5. Stuff-A-Truck participation
6. K-8 Publication update
7. MACS certificate

Kent moved to accept the consent agenda, Ken seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

1. MACS fall conference...Nov.20...St. Paul - room available if anyone from the board would like to go. Scott has been nominated for Secretary/Treasurer of MACS
2. Northwest Minnesota Foundation Grant...Board Training...Dec. 5-6 - Barb, Lisa, and maybe Kris will be attending - maybe one of the new board members? Scott will also be attending.
 - a. Lisa moved that we accept the grant of \$3,720 for the purpose of board training. Kent seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. Kent asked if we could get a teacher to go to this also.
 - c. The Carver training would also be open to parents.
3. Board Calendar...update...Lisa - a work in progress - we should have a draft calendar for board review within the next couple of months. Please forward any input or ideas to Lisa or Kris.

Old Business

1. Site-Based/Staff Empowerment plan...Ken - see included sheet on Flexible Site Based Management. The staff has voted on the proposal and it was approved.
 - a. We need to come up with a name. FSBM is the name.
 - b. We need to be able to log issues addressed.
 - c. We need to establish whether this is an appropriate tool.
 - d. Could we also set up a similar model to handle parental concerns. Sabrina Erickson asked that parents be educated on how to address concerns.
 - e. Ken moved to pass the FSBM. Jim seconded. Motion carried. Kent abstained. Gerry opposed. The board needs to put assessment tools in place to ensure continued staff empowerment.
2. Air Quality update...Scott - has attended 4 formal meetings - getting closer to a resolution.
3. Referendum update - Scott - SLC will receive approx. \$40,000 starting in FY 04.

Committee Reports

1. PAC - Shar - fundraiser netted over \$4,000. The distribution of funds was brought back to staff as decided at the last PAC

meeting. The staff decided that funds should be put into one big fund, distributed by Scott.

Other additions/thoughts?

Kris offered congratulations to Greg for being asked to present at the National Science Teachers association in Atlanta, April 3rd, based on integrating Math and Science into the curriculum.

Kent thanked Sabrina for sharing her views tonight. It's important for all to have fair hearing.

Lisa moved to adjourn. Kent seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Shar Paquette