

Green Isle Community School
Minutes of Board of Director's Meeting
Thursday, January 20, 2011
5:30 pm

Members Present

Sharon Ehrich
Holly Harjes
Paul Menne
Nicole Roepke
Kristine Schwartz

Members Absent

Dave Rohde
Kristen Strauss

Others Absent

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Julie Grams
Keith Johnson
Terry Kroehler
Jo Moore

- 1.0 Meeting called to order at 5:35 pm.**
- 2.0 Recognition of Visitors - None**
- 3.0 Agenda approved with the amendment of moving New Business after 4.0.**
Motion: Roepke Second: Schwartz Motion passed unanimously.
- 4.0 Minutes December 16, 2010 were approved.**
Motion: Harjes Second: Roepke Motion passed unanimously.
- 5.0 New Business**
- 5.1 VOA Viability Study – Terry and Julie made final changes on the Viability Study, along with graphs from Nicole Roepke and financials from Keith Johnson. It will be submitted to VOA by January 27, 2011.**
- 5.2 VOA Application for Renewal – Terry sent out a copy of the Renewal Application to the Board Members to get their input. The board gave them ideas on things that can be added to the application.**
- 5.2.1 The board discussed 123B.34 to 123B.39 re: The Minnesota Public School Fee Law and the School Board made a statement that “Yes, we follow the Minnesota Public School Fee Law”.**
- 5.3 Strategic Planning – Terry handed out a list of ideas for goal setting. The board gave their input and ideas to add to the list.**
- 5.4 Self Review Process – Julie handed out documentation on Meaningful Board Evaluation. VOA is asking that we have a Board Self Review Process. We will begin working on the process in March.**
- 5.5 Director Evaluation – Professional Development Plan – The board should have a Director Evaluation and from the Director Evaluation, the Co-Directors should come up with a Professional Development Plan. Julie handed out evaluation examples. The School Board will work on revising the Directors Evaluation.**

- 5.6 **Donation from Parents – Alan and Jill Lenzmeier donated \$3,000 from their business, Prairie Farm Supply in Belle Plaine.**

- 6.0 **Financial Reports**
 - 6.1 **Financial Statements –**
 - 6.1.1 **Keith handed out and discussed a Budget Worksheet that he is working on for the Viability Study. He will finish the worksheet and have it to the Co-Directors by Tuesday, January 25th. Keith handed out and spoke about the Financial Statements. YTD as of 12/31/10 there was a -\$2,510 Net Income.**

- 7.0 **Public Comment – None**

- 8.0 **Policy Governance**
 - 8.1 **Review Governance Policies – Tabled until February.**

- 9.0 **Director's Report**
 - 9.1 **Conference/Meetings Attended - The Co-Directors attended a Pretest Workshop at MDE. They have been working with the School Board on the Viability Study and have had two workshop meetings.**
 - 9.2 **Recruiting – Kurt Menk from the Arlington Enterprise was at our Science Fair Kick-off and took pictures for the paper. An insert was created and inserted into the Henderson Independent for the week of January 17th. James Brenno from the Henderson Independent came to GICS to take pictures of Mr. & Mrs. Straub teaching the students about science.**
 - 9.3 **Staff –Mentors continue to meet with their mentee once a week. The Leadership Team continues to do observations on all staff members.**
 - 9.4 **Family Communication – Weekly newsletters continue to be sent out by each classroom teacher. A letter went home to all families following the attempted abduction in Arlington. This letter was a follow up to an All School Meeting that we had about this situation.**
 - 9.5 **Program Update – Over 70 people were in attendance for our Science Fair Information meeting and Science Family Fun Night. Cathy Malinowski is working on instructing students about the Science Fair. Nicole Roepke continues to work with students on art. Our Winter Program on January 10th was a huge success. There were many parents and community members who gave us positive feedback.**

- 10.0 **Old or Unfinished Business**
 - 10.1 **None**

- 11.0 **Next scheduled meeting is Thursday, February 17, 2011 at 5:30 pm. Meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm.**
Motion: Roepke Second: Menne Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of minutes: _____
Board Chair Clerk

Date: _____

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