Meeting Date: June 20, 2017

TIme: 6:45

Location: 7 Henry Clay Drive, Merrimack, NH

6:45 PM: Meeting Called to Order

Voting Board Members in Attendance:

Bill Spinelli (Chairman)
Jenny Hitzeman (Parent Representative)
Kim Rivers (Director)
Rebecca Fredrickson (Director)
Jack Balcom (Director)
Peter Bonaccorsi (Director)

Non-Voting Board Members in Attendance:

Sandra Smith (Interim School Director)

Absent Board Members:

Eric Drouart (Director)
John Keicher (Treasurer)
Tom Tyler (Secretary)

Attending Public:

No public present

Quorum: 6 out of 9 voting members

6:47--MOTION (Bonaccorsi/Hitzeman) to go into non-public session. Roll Call--Rebecca, Peter, Kim, Jenny, Jack all in favor; none opposed.

6:48--Entered non-public session (see separate Non-Public Meeting Minutes)

8:56 -- MOTION (Balcom/Hitzeman)--to seal minutes from non-public session. Roll Call--Rebecca, Peter, Kim, Jenny, Jack all in favor; none opposed.

Back into Public Session:

8:58--MOTION (Rivers/Hitzeman) to suspend the 10 day posting period for the hiring policy for the interim director to hire potential qualified internal candidates for the open teaching positions.

Discussion--possible change in the hiring policy to allow for hiring of internal candidates without a suspension of the policy.

Vote 6-0-0

9:04--MOTION (Balcom/Hitzeman) to approve the minutes from May 16, 2017 as amended Vote 6-0-0

MOTION (Bonaccorsi/Rivers) to approve the minutes from May 25, 2017 meeting Vote 5-0-1

9:08--Rebecca informed the Board of the status of the enrollment as of June 20, 2017. Phone calls are being made and tours are still happening. Targeted social media ads will be posted for the remaining available openings.

Current Enrollment--160

Current number breakdown:

Kindergarten--16, Grade 1--22, Grade 2--18, Grade 3--17, Grade 4--17, Grade 5--20, Grade 6--21, Grade 7--19, Grade 8--10

9:20--Budget discussion led by Bill. Sandi pointed the Board's attention to part time positions in the budget and the recommendations on the compensation schedule. Discussion was had about hourly wages for specialist positions and making them more competitive. Discussion was to go up to \$22 an hour for the art and music specialists. Bill will reflect this change in the budget. In the course of the discussion, Rebecca brought up a possible option for revenue to partner with the YMCA; they are interested in renting GCCSA space for their after school program.

MOTION (Balcom/Bonaccorsi/) to accept the bottomline for budget scenario B. (164 students - 20 @ Kindergarten, 144 @ grades 1 to 8)

Vote 6-0-0

10:00--Board of Trustees elections for 2017-2018

MOTION (Rivers/Hitzeman) to elect Danielle Charest as parent rep for one year board position

Vote: 6-0-0

MOTION (Bonaccorsi/Balcom) to elect Jenny Hitzman for three year board term

Vote: 6-0-0

MOTION (Rivers/Hitzeman) to elect Jack Balcom as one year chairperson of the board

Vote: 6-0-0

10:10--Old business

Bill--Was the building access policy and exit interview policy voted on? The building access policy was not voted on but the exit interview policy was and passed.

Jack-- reviewed the grants received.

- Lowes Tool Box for Education--\$5,000
- TD Wealth--\$5,000
- DCU for Kids--\$2,500

More letters have been sent and Jack expects more to come in.

Peter--He and Tom have been working on job description for executive director. It is in draft form and should be finalized soon.

Kim--no curriculum meeting was held in June Jenny--playground will be installed in August

10:20--New Business

Sandi asked the Board how the announcement of the new executive director, pending reference check and criminal background check, should be handled. She also asked about the internal posts and addressing the teachers who are not returning for the 2017-2018 school year. Board made a plan to write a letter to the community.

10:25 MOTION (Bonaccorsi/Balcom) to accept the reasonable assurance letters submitted by the teachers

Vote: 6-0-0

10:30 MOTION (Bonaccorsi/Rivers) to adjourn

Vote: 6-0-0