

Gate City Charter School for the Arts

Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: September 19, 2017

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Time: 6:45 PM

Location: 7 Henry Clay Drive, Merrimack, NH

Voting Board Members in Attendance:

Jack Balcom (Chairman)

Jenny Hitzeman (Vice Chair)

Bill Spinelli

Eric Drouart

Peter Bonaccorsi

Danielle Charest

Absent Board Members:

Adam Fredrickson

Non-Voting Members in Attendance:

Rich Boardman (School Director)

Sandra Smith (Assistant Director)

Attending Public:

One member of the general public was in attendance:

Eric Charest

Public Meeting called to order at 6:46 PM.

Public Comments/Public Matters

No Public Comment

Approval of Minutes from August

Regular Meeting

6:47 MOTION (Bonacorsi/Drouart) Motion to accept the meeting minutes unanimously accepted

Finance Committee Report

Bill presented financial statements. The school is positioned well financially. The first revenues was based upon 161 students and the budget was based on 164. Meeting are held the second Thursday of the month at 9am.

6:55 MOTION(Drouart/Hitzeman) The motion to accept the financial reports were unanimously accepted.

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Old Business

No old business.

New Business

PTAC- Jenny Hitzeman

Jenny spoke about the upcoming story book ball on 9/29. 8th graders will sell concessions to fund class trips.

Danielle Charest spoke about the 5k that is coming up on 11/5. There is a need for sponsorships.

Curriculum Committee- Jack

This committee has not met yet

Policy Committee

This committee has not met yet. Opted to postpone until there was more news on bylaws

PR and Marketing committee- Jenny Hitzeman

meeting- 2nd Thursday at 2pm

Purchased scarecrow for down town Nashua. They will be on Facebook and you can vote for your favorite online

School has signed up for casinos-boston billiards

Merrimack parks and rec Halloween event-table with give away and craft

Nashua summer of fun-table with give away and craft

Grants committee- jack

Have not had formal meeting but there has been a lot going on. Following up and sending thank you's.

Handling audit trails for grants that were dispersed i.e. flooring grant, technology grant

AD hock: facilities committee

Adam sent via email. First was a call with Rich and Adam. Discussed cubicle maintenance/ expansion, putting a paper in the staff lounge for requests. Expanding cubicle would push into great hall which may impact lease because it increased the square footage we are utilizing.

New Dates proposed for meetings:

October 23

November 28

December 19

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January 23

February 20

March 27

April 17

May 22

June 19c

7:35 MOTION (Hitzeman/Drouart) The motion to accept the new dates for meetings was unanimously accepted.

Directors Report

Update on start of school, all is going well. Playground and flooring complete and paid in full

*STAFF WAS BROUGHT OUT TO BE TRAINED BY BEARS CREW ON PLAYGROUND SAFETY AND MAINTNENCE. CLASSES WERE BROUGHT OUT TO TEACH KIDS ABOUT PLAYGROUND SAFETY

Thank you to volunteers for art room flooring and playground

YMCA is not moving forward renting out space after school due to transportation issues. This effects PE cost as there is no bartering.

1-8 will have PE through the holidays

Rich attended alliance for charter schools 15-20 represented. Discussions with insurance agency rep, larger conversations were about facilities.

First early release 9/20

Parent information night 9/21

Open house for prospective students 9/28

Storybook ball 9/29

Jack Balcom spoke of discussions with Thomas Moore College and their willingness to volunteer with the school.

Next public meeting scheduled for Tuesday October 24, 2017

Meeting adjourned 7:47pm