

Board of Directors Meeting
Marine Village School
Thursday, September 19, 2024
6:00 p.m.

In Attendance:

Dr. Kim Kokx (MVS Principal) via Zoom
Sarah Stivland (Chair) in person
Pete Gardner (Vice Chair) in person
Mike Lammi (Treasurer) in person
Daryl Timmer (Board Member) in person
Kate McDearmon (Board Member) in person
Cari McGlynn (Board Member) via Zoom
Kelly Jeanetta (Secretary) in person
David Peterson (MOChA)
Kien Trung Nguyen (Community Member)

Absent:

Jennifer Cress (Board Member)

I. Meeting Recorded

II. Meeting called to order.

III. Meeting Agenda

- Pete moved to approve the agenda.
- Daryl seconded the motion.
- Roll was called to approve the agenda.
- The agenda was approved unanimously.

IV. Minutes from August 15, 2024 Board Meeting

- Daryl moved to approve the minutes.
- Kate seconded the motion.
- Roll was called to approve the minutes.
- The minutes were approved unanimously.

V. Kien Trung Nguyen

- Pete moved to approve Kien as a new Board member.
- Daryl seconded the motion.
- The Board unanimously approved Kien as new Board member.

VI. Financials

- a. Financial Report - Mike presented the July and August financials.

- b. Buses – The old buses were sold and the proceeds used toward paying off a loan.
- c. Audits continue.
- d. Fundraising is off to a good start. We have raised \$75,000.00 thus far this year.

VII. Executive Director Report

- a. Employee Handbook. The Board discussed getting the draft Employee Handbook distributed so that it can be voted on for approval at the next Board meeting.
- b. Student Outcomes Data. MCA results are in. Dr. Kokx reported that our math average is 41.7 percent, slightly below the state average of 45.5. Our reading average is 63.9, above the state average of 49.9. Our science average is 64.3, above the state average of 39.2.

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Governance (Pete)
 - i. The weapons policy was presented for review. We will vote at the next meeting as to whether to approve the language for insertion in the Employee Handbook and into the Student Handbook.
 - ii. The committee is working on a privacy policy and job descriptions.
- b. Academic (Anna Maakestad)
 - i. Dr. Kokx presented the Academic Committee report. The committee had met earlier and discussed ways to present Native American studies and it is working to insure that lesson plans are aligned with state standards.
- c. Community Outreach (Jenn)
 - i. No report by Jenn.
 - ii. Dr. Kokx reported that enrollment is currently at 91 students. A number of tours are scheduled for potential new families.
 - iii. Kate reported that there is a new President of the PTO – Mike Adrian. In addition, the PTO is holding a fundraiser at Rustic Roots on October 6, 2024.
- d. Facilities (Kate)
 - i. Discussion was held about making sure that when the school building is used by outside groups, equipment is returned to its original location.

IX. Board Topics

- a. Marine Multi-Generational Education District Advisory Committee
 - i. Discussion was held regarding a community member who may be well-suited to chair this committee. The Board will reach out to him.

X. Authorizer Comments

Dave Peterson with MOChA discussed the organization's role in charter schools, including to provide guidance, hold schools accountable, and insure deliverables. He noted that the Marine Village School Board Committee structure is functioning well and that it provides continuity and leadership.

XI. Regular monthly meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month, at 6:00 p.m., at the Marine Village School, 550 Pine Street, Marine-on-St. Croix, Minnesota 55047 and via Zoom.

- Thursday, October 17, 2024
- Thursday, November 21, 2024
- Thursday, December 19, 2024

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was ended by the Chair at 7:32 p.m.