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Agenda
Odyssey Academy
Charter School District #4030
Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Regular Meeting
Odyssey Academy
6201 Noble Ave. No.
Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

5:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Community Members: Olena Lerwick, Julie Pouliot, Georgette Dorsey, Dona Fehr and Craig Smith

Guest Visitors: Meredith Fox

- 1.0 Call to order and establishment of a quorum: 6:05 pm
- 2.0 Roll Call:
 - Members Present:*, Jessica Driscoll, Christine Grigor, Ryan Parker, Susan Sporre, William Holmes
 - Members Absent:*, Mike Auld, Connie Moore,
 - 2.2 Pledge of Allegiance
- 3.0 Approve Agenda: Approval of the June 28, 2017 agenda
 - 3.1 Additions to the agenda: add 5.4.7 Booth Law Group. Move 7.7 up to 7.1
 - 3.2 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: None
- 4.0 Community Comments*: None
- 5.0 Consent Agenda:
 - 5.1 Payment of bills, including payroll:
 - 10.1.1 Approval of Checks: **MN BT 27242-27305**
 - 5.2 Approval of April Minutes: **May 24, 2017 Minutes and June 19, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes**
 - 5.3 Personnel action:
 - 5.3.1 Paraprofessional Hiring: None
 - 5.3.2 Teacher Hiring: None
 - 5.3.3 Appointments: None
 - 5.3.4 Non-Classified: None
 - 5.3.5 Resignations:
 - 5.3.5.1. Josh Young, SPED
 - 5.3.5.2 Victoria Fortenberry, Art
 - 5.3.5.3 Nick Mans, Middle School Science
 - 5.4 Contracts:
 - 5.4.1 Business Management Services
 - 5.4.2 Strategic Planning: Portage Partners Consulting
 - 5.4.3 Special Education: Creatively Focused LLC
 - 5.4.4 Counselor/Social Worker: Catholic Charities
 - 5.4.5 Capernaum Pediatric Therapy
 - 5.4.6 Speech/Language Therapy Services: By Word of Mouth, Ltd.

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5.4.7 Booth Law Group

5.5 Receipt of grants/donations:

Lawrence-Anderson moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Sporre 2nd.

Motion Carried

6.0 Action Items:

6.1 Policy Revisions:

No policy revisions discussed.

6.2 Certification of Board Election on June 2, 2017

Driscoll moved to accept Parent Members Georgette Dorsey and Tenisha Cragness; Community Members Grigor and Pearson and Teacher Members Parker and Pouliot as Newly voted in Board Members. Lawrence-Anderson 2nd.

Motion Carried

6.3 Odyssey Leadership Contract

Holmes moved to accept a contract to hire John Sedey as our interim Executive

Director

Driscoll 2nd.

Motion Carried

6.4 Audubon Intent to Terminate Contract

6.4.1 Board agree to appeal and delegates a working committee to formulate letter to request hearing in accordance with page 16 paragraph b of Odyssey/Audubon Contract

Holmes moved to appoint Board Member Parker and current Leadership Team as well as hire Meredith Fox from Portage Partners to develop a strategy for communication to ACNW regarding our Appeal to their decision to terminate our contract as authorizers. Lawrence-Anderson 2nd.

Motion Carried

6.5 Resolution to Pay Staff Incentive Stipend

Item tabled due to need for further information.

7.0 Reports:

7.1 Community Action—Board representatives: Moore

7.2 Finance—Board representatives: Sporre, Parker

7.2.1 May Financials:

7.2.2 Proposed 17-18 Budget

Driscoll moved to accept the May financials, and Proposed 17-18 budget.

Homes 2nd.

Motion Carried

7.3 Facilities/Technology—Holmes

7.4 School Improvement— Parker

7.4 End of the year FASTBring Test Data

7.5 Director's report— Craig Smith, Kirsten Erickson, Dona Fehr

7.5.1 Current enrollment: 308

7.5.2 School Activities: There are 94 enrolled for Summer School

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7.5.3 Epicenter Report: **Leadership Team presented a report indicating current %100 percent reporting to Epicenter.**

7.6 Director Hiring Committee – Parker, Driscoll, Holmes

7.7 Strategic Planning Committee

7.7.1 2017-2022 Strategic Plan Adoption

Parker reviewed the Strategic Plan with the Board. This plan was developed by the board over 5 meetings and over 20 hours of focused planning. The board was very pleased with the results, and are excited to utilize Portage Partners to help us stay on task as seen in 7.7.2, Holmes moved to accept the 2017-2022 Strategic Plan, Lawrence Anderson 2nd. Motion Carried.

7.7.2 Continuing support from Portage Partners

Board Member Parker and current Leadership Team as well as hire Meredith Fox from Portage Partners to develop a strategy for communication to ACNW regarding our Appeal to their decision to terminate our contract as authorizers. Meredith will also be supportive in preparing for the hearing. A process for hiring the executive director may come from a firm that works to hire CEO's for non-profits. Lars Leafblad was recommended by Meredith Fox.

8.0 Action to adjourn the meeting *motion made by Lawrence-Anderson and seconded by Grigor at 8:04 pm. Motion Carried.*

Special Board Meeting: 6:00pm Thursday, July 6, 2017 Media Center Odyssey Academy.

Annual Board Meeting: 6:00pm Wednesday, July 26, 2017 Media Center Odyssey Academy.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Immediately following Annual Meeting, July 26, 2017 Media Center Odyssey Academy.

*Comments from visitors must be informal in nature and not exceed five (5) minutes per issue. The Board cannot engage in a discussion or debate in those five minutes but will take the information and find answers if that is appropriate. As part of Board protocol, it is unacceptable for any speaker to slander or engage in character assassination at a public board meeting. Comments must be limited to items on the agenda.

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