



Sisu Environmental School Special Board meeting January 24, 2022, 7:00 pm

Call Meeting to Order: 7:01 PM

Attendees: Kendra Hunding, Kate Maki, Courtney Cox

Visitors: no visitors

***All visitors will be given a chance to speak if they wish. Speaking time will be limited to two minutes.*

Reading of the Mission: Maki

Delivering a bold education, in the renowned Finnish style to empower each child on their own unique educational journey to become competent, creative and joyful learners.

The purpose of this meeting is to receive updates from the Facilities Task Force on progress on the Action Steps outlined in the Facility Plan.

Discussion (15-20 minutes)

- **Facilities Plan update**
 - **Building tours**
 - 5011 South 31st Ave. Mpls
 - 768 Hamline Ave. S. St. Paul
- Hunding visited 2 buildings last week:
 - Nokomis Neighborhood
 - Had quirky layout
 - Not a ton of outdoor space
 - Community concerns about neighborhood
 - 7000 sq. ft. = not very big as far as growth
 - Potential for needing to move in the future
 - South Hamline :
 - Cyber Village Academy is located here currently
 - 36,000 sq. ft.
 - Building is owned by

- Nice building
 - Huge outdoor space
 - Conventional playground as well as open spaces
 - Close to Hyland Park
 - Kindergarten classrooms have bathrooms within
 - ADA accessible areas
 - We could sub-lease from Cyber Village or possibly work with landlord to be added on for space we would utilize: JB Vang is looking into our options this week

- Charter School Development Loan: Maki is looking into this more and will bring to the Governance Committee

- Plan for enrollment process moving forward:
 - Looking into fillable forms : Maki & Cox will look into linkable options for website
 - More info on whether or not we need to do lottery or not
 - Set up step by step plan that can be put in place in the event/when that the CSP Grant comes through
 - Possible amendment for bypassing lottery this year

- **Task Force Action Steps checklist progress**

The Task Force will:

- ~~Sever contract with current realtor~~
- ~~Met, interview and decide on a charter school realtor~~
- ~~Bring the realtor contract to the Board for final approval~~
- ~~Report to the board, calling for Special meetings as necessary due to the tight timeframe~~
- Visit potential properties with the school's "Must haves" at the forefront
- Bring facility recommendations to the Board for final approval

Adjourn meeting:

Attachments:

Photos of 768 Hamline Ave. S.