

Sisu Environmental School Special Board meeting January 31, 2022, 7:00 pm

Call Meeting to Order: 7:00 PM <u>Attendees</u>: Kate Maki, Kendra Hunding, Courtney Cox <u>Visitors</u>: 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: Hunding

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.
- discuss enrollment plan
- ensure coverage for board member absences

Meeting objectives:

- □ Identify Action Steps to move enrollment forward (based on advice from IQS)
- Appoint Board contact for during Board chair absence

Discussion (15-20 minutes)

• Facilities Plan update

- Hunding has met with realtor. He has met with Hamline (Cyber Village Academy) building folks and they prefer to handle the rental themselves as opposed to sublease. Same broker represents building as Minneapolis building we looked at.
- They want more info and our realtor is putting together a portfolio based off our lease aid. They want info on growth projection as well as CSP Grant.

Priority would go to another school that has current or self sufficient funding in the event that another applies while we are waiting for CSP news.

Hunding spoke with our authorizer about waiting on CSP Grant info. Many schools and authorizers are waiting and attempting to get more information.

Task Force Action Steps checklist progress

The Task Force will:

- Sever contract with current realtor
- Vet, 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

• Enrollment Plan

Here's what we talked about at the January 24th meeting:

Plan for enrollment process moving forward:

-Looking into fillable forms : Maki & Cox will look into linkable options for website

- Adobe: 7 day free (\$9.99 per month)

- Filio

- Maki & Courtney think Adobe might be the best option because most people know how to use this program

-Discussing at next board meeting: comparison document between Microsoft & Google (data and facts: what are they offering and what are the costs)

- 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

Laurie (authorizer) gave more info about lottery for enrollment

- We can either amend policy or change timeline for this year as long as we document this and why

• Board contact coverage

- Hunding proposes that Kate Maki acts of contact person in case realtor needs information or Kendra is unattainable. Hunding will be gone February 2nd to February 9th.
- Cox makes a motion, Maki seconds
- No discussion
- Motion carries unanimously

If there isn't a facility by ______ do we need to push back opening? Waiting on CSP Grant: so we have surpassed our first deadline

Next board meeting is Tuesday, February 15th

Adjourn meeting: Maki makes motion to adjourn , Cox seconds motion

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM

Attachments: None