

# **School Board Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes** 

## November 25, 2014

Board Members Present: Thomas Frischknecht, Kim Lavallee, Sarah Frischknecht, Patty Humphrey, Cathy Cullity

Public Attendance: Kristy Ouellette, Patrice Benard, Kevin Ahern

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 PM.

### 1. Public Comment Session –

- Mrs. Patrice Benard: (parent of 7<sup>th</sup> grader)
  - -- Compliments administration for handling of recent discipline problems. Asks if parents should always call administration if there is a problem. Feels public comment session should not be limited to agenda items only. (Mr. Frischknecht explained the purpose of board meetings and how to get items onto the agenda, which is created by the school director and board chair in advance. Future agendas will be posted online.)
  - -- Asks what board committees are already established
  - -- Asks how to contact board

## 2. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

\*\* Ms. Cullity motioned to approve September 2014 minutes. Mrs. Humphrey seconded. All members of board present voted unanimously to approve the minutes. \*\*

#### 3. Charter School Business

#### A. Board Business:

-- By next board meeting there will be recommendations for an additional 3 board members. These positions will be by invitation/appointment. We are looking to get at least one parent, as well as outside members from the community to foster relationships in the

community. Bios will be distributed in advance, and these members will be voted on at the next board meeting.

-- In the future, we will explore having a student rep to the board, and potentially a student member of the board.

### **B.** Treasurer Report:

- -- Treasurer will meet again with the auditors in December.
- -- The Foundation has received the 501c3 status from the IRS, after 2 years of waiting. The school started the filing process for 501c3 status with the IRS.

## **C.** Operations Report:

- -- The history teacher resigned due to health reasons. The school is sorry to see him go, but wishes him well in his recovery. The new teacher is Aaron Jacobs, who started yesterday.
- -- Report cards were distributed successfully. 90% of parents received the emails on the first mailing.
- -- Construction for the rest of the building is on schedule and due to be completed in January 2015.
- -- The school has successfully held 2 open houses/information nights. School already has about 50 applications for new enrollment for Fall 2015.
- D. Policies: The following policies were presented and discussed (policies are posted and can be accessed through our website at

http://www.thefoundersacademy.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\_ID=235414&type=d&pREC\_ID=links ):

**BIE – Board Member Indemnification** 

AC - Non-discrimination

ACE -- Procedural Safeguards Non-Discrimination on the basis of Disability

**EEAA – Video Surveillance on School Property** 

**GBAA – Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence** 

JFABD – Admission of Homeless Students

JH - Attendance Policy

**TFA BYOD Policy – Bring Your Own Device** 

\*\* Ms. Cullity motioned that we accept the policies as described in the documents. Mrs. Frischknecht seconded the motioned. Ms. Cullity, Mrs. Lavallee, Mr. Frischknecht, Mrs. Frischknecht all voted in favor. Ms. Humphrey abstained. \*\*

F. Next Board Meeting: 12/16/2014

Motion to adjourn at 4:39 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Sarah Frischknecht, Board-Secretary

Approved: December 16, 2014