

Board of Trustees Meeting Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM- Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Jim Sander, Lucas Doe, Christopher Brignola, Sean Blackwell, Ted Hurwitz (Ex-Officio)

Absent: Robert Ansbro,

Administrators in attendance: Norma Hurwitz, Leena Thomas

6:37 PM - Call to order by Board Chair, James Sander

- I. Approval of Minutes for Thursday, April 20, 2023
 - Lucas Doe motions to approve the minutes, Sean Blackwell seconds, all in favor

- II. Nominations of Board officers for the upcoming school year
 - President/Chair: Lucas nominates Jim Sander
 - Vice-Chair: Jim Sander nominates Christopher Brignola
 - Treasurer: Christopher Brignola nominates Lucas Doe
 - Secretary- Jim Sander nominates Sean Blackwell
 - Jim Sander suggested a recruitment committee to help with staff and student recruitment.
 - We could use help but possibly in a less formal way so it is not burdensome to individuals
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- III. NYS ELA and Math Assessments- Discussion Leena Thomas
 - Students completed ELA and Mathematics state exams.
 - Students were in good spirits and did their best
 - We will need to review some topics that we felt were basic closer to state exams to ensure students remember all skills.
 - We are focusing on moving students to the next grade's math curriculum and for all subjects, we are working on ensuring we have more engaging and creative activities.

- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Finance Committee – Lucas Doe
 - Nothing new to report
 - We would like to have our funds invested in treasuries to maximize our returns in a safe way
 - Clarity is needed on Robert Dunbar's fees to manage our funds

- Lucas mentioned that we need to get the Investment Policy Statement which lists all fees and policies since he was not involved in the initial interview with Robert Dunbar.

B. Building Development Committee– Robert Ansbro

- Ted Hurwitz discussed visiting the new building last week. A lot of progress has been made and the contractors are working diligently.
- We need to finalize space usage and grade spans in the new building.
- Thinking about our long term capacity and enrollment will be important to help with decision making.
- We could meet our 5 year goal within 2 spaces

C. Education Committee – Christopher Brignola

- Calculating the number of questions per standard over the last couple of years and making predictions based on which standards had an increasing number of questions was helpful.

Meeting adjourned- 8:30 p.m.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM