

BOT Meeting, August 26, 2021 Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Jim Sander, Lucas Doe, Ted Hurwitz,

Christopher Brignola , Robert Ansbro

Absent: Mark Keye

Administrators in attendance: Norma Hurwitz, Leena Varghese

Call to order by Board Chair, James Sander at 2:33 p.m.

- I. Approval of Minutes for Thursday, July 1, 2021
 - Motion to approve the minutes as amended by Lucas Doe, Jim Sander seconds, all in favor.

- II. Instructional Plans for reopening September 2021-2022 school year- Leena Varghese
 - We were planning on having all students come in-person but due to requests from families and our own evaluation of how to increase safety measures, we decided to offer a remote option for students. Parents will have to request this option. We hope to combine students into bridged classes for the remote option.
 - We did have some resignations and some staff we felt should not return. We are working to fill the vacancies. There is a nationwide teacher shortage which makes it difficult.

- III. Building project status., Change orders budget to date- Norma Hurwitz
 - Our IT budget for the new building came in at close to double what we budgeted
 - It is important that we are able to get good quality materials and our budget supports this
 - Prices of materials have increased drastically
 - We will continue to monitor all expenditures and try to stay within the budget
 - Lucas discussed how to view expenditures thus far and change orders (possibly through Procor). We will speak to our owner's rep to discuss this.

- IV. Robert Ansbro's Board Term Renewal Vote
 - Jim Sander proposes Robert Ansbro remains on our Board. Robert has been a tremendous asset to us and cares about our school's mission. Lucas DOE seconds, Chris in favor. Passes unanimously.

V. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee – Lucas Doe

- We are awaiting our end of year reconciliation

B. Real Estate Committee – Ted Hurwitz

- The foundation of the building is almost complete

C. Education Committee – Christopher Brignola

- We are awaiting state exam scores from NYSED standard exams this past Spring

Meeting adjourned at 3:30p.m.

Next Meeting September 23rd, 2021 2:30 p.m.