



Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of Creative Inspiration Journey School of St. Cloud duly called and held on May 13, 2021 at 6:15 pm at 2030 Old Hickory Tree Rd., St. Cloud, FL 34772.

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jeff Dixon at 6:38 pm.

Jeff Dixon (President)
Tom Pylant (Vice-President & Treasurer)
Heather Leppard (Secretary)
Patty Marquis (IPS)
Sherri Schneider (IPS)
Hanadi Itani (Parent Liaison)
Michele Quinn (Principal)
Julie Klahr (Prospective attorney)

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Introductions- N/A
- III. Celebrations/Recognitions-N/A
- IV. Approve Minutes- March 30, 2021 & April 27, 2021

With the approval of the Directors present, Jeff Dixon acted as chair of the meeting and Heather Leppard recorded the minutes. On motions duly made and seconded, it was voted that the minutes of the meeting of board of directors from March 30, 2021 and April 27, 2021 be taken as read.

Members are reminded to recuse from voting on any item that may be a conflict of interest.

- V. Consent Agenda- N/A
- VI. Non-Consent Agenda Items to be Voted On

- a. Hiring new attorney-candidate, Julie Klahr.

Tom Pylant moved that we retain Julie Klahr as CIJS SC's new attorney. Susan Powers seconded. In a unanimous Roll Call vote, the Board approved the motion.

- b. Resolution for bond

Heather Leppard moved that we adopt the resolution for bond and Susan Powers seconded. In a unanimous Roll Call vote, the Board approved the motion.

- c. Declaration of official intent to reimburse expenditures for bond

Heather Leppard moved and Tom Pylant seconded that we accept the declaration of official intent to reimburse expenditures for bond. In a unanimous Roll Call vote, the Board approved the motion.

- d. Trustee Engagement



Heather Leppard moved that we engage UMP as our bond trustee and Susan Powers seconded. In a unanimous Roll Call vote, the Board approved the motion.

VII. Principal Report

a. SRO vs. Guardian Program

- i. OCPS and Law Enforcement are jointly proposing to the School Board that Charter schools (only) be moved to the Guardian program, as opposed to having sworn law enforcers serve as School Resource Officers. The District has requested feedback from Charter School Governing Boards.
- ii. The Board discussed the pros and cons of this proposal and how it would effect CIJS if it were to take effect. There are too many questions unanswered. Therefore, at this time we feel that we are not in favor of the guardian program, and furthermore that the inequity in making this change for Charter schools only is not appropriate.
- iii. Jeff Dixon will draft a response from the Board on our feelings in the matter, to be sent out immediately.

VIII. IPS Reports- N/A

IX. Public Comments- N/A

X. Upcoming Meetings/Events

- a. Future Board Meetings: June 15, 2021

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business to transact at the time, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather Ann Leppard".

Heather Leppard, Secretary