

**POINT OF DISCOVERY SCHOOL
GOVERNANCE CREW
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020, 6:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING
POINT OF DISCOVERY SCHOOL
1900 WEST ZINDA DRIVE, STEVENS POINT, WI 54481**

NOTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Jen Zach called the PoDS Governance Crew to order at 6:04 pm.

2. ROLL CALL AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

☒ Dan Lathrop
(non-voting)

☒ Aiden Moore

☒ Christine Munson

☒ Connie Negaard
(non-voting)

☒ Alicia Razvi

☒ Jeff Rice

☒ Terry Rothmann

☒ Jen Ries
(non-voting)

☒ Brody Rice

☒ Carie Winn

☒ Jen Zach

J Rice arrived at 6:10 p.m.

C Negaard exited at 6:50 p.m.

Guests:

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded (Razvi, Rothmann) to approve the agenda. Motion passed 7 yes - 0 no

4. BUSINESS (INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION)

A. Minutes from April 1, 2020

It was moved and seconded (Winn, Razvi) to approve the April 1, 2020 minutes. Motion passed 7 yes - 0 no

B. Governance Crew Treasurer's Report

Fieldwork Balance is \$370.12

There is fieldwork for fall term start; plans for funding? Hesitant to reserve space anywhere b/c of COVID-19.

Alternate plans for adventure ed w/in district activities

Fundraising event, Plates for PoDS is delayed to fall due to COVID-19

C. Point of Discovery School Budget Report

PoDS budget provided in separate document

D. Point of Discovery School Charter Grant Report

Grant report budget provided in separate document

Holding onto some funds for marketing efforts

Grant needs to be spent out by June 30, 2020

E. Report from Lead Teacher

Virtual Celebrations of Learning by Crew. Each student will create a slide to highlight work they want to showcase. Crews and families will share out. One Crew presenting per night starting week of May 26th and continuing through first week of June.

For 2020-2021, high school students will have 2, week long sessions of "intensives". Intensives will be: Outdoor Education course; Positive Psychology; Sewing; Can We Build It; Adulting; Strums and Drums; Art History. Will take place late in first semester. A student will take 1 intensive. Need to outline how the classes meet various graduation requirements.

Curriculum thoughts

6-8: Recycled expeditions. Fall - Stevens Point 2050 w/ focus on sustainability. Participate in designing a sustainable future. Spring - I have a dream w/ documentaries on civil rights

9-10: Social Studies theme - American History through the lens of different people and "the American Dream".

Students will create 1 page of book for each quarter. Over the course of the year, each student will create one piece of writing on historical event, one literary piece, a piece of art, and a podcast. Science themed. Launching PoDS

publishing. Science - Biology. Creating a field guide to life in central Wisconsin. Trees, plants, human life and diversity, etc. Writing, scientific diagram, virtual piece, and art piece.

When meeting with faculty in June, consider ideas on people to use as local experts. Books ordered w/ grant dollars.

Future elective for graphic design.

- F. Report from Administrative Liaison
Enrollments are increasing; currently have 25 new applications; one 8th grader is moving out of state
Held off on marketing during onset of COVID-19
Videos are being sent out; promoting to families who are opting out of district
- G. Governance Crew Membership
Mary Jo Lechner was instrumental in starting PoDS. Currently residing in Amherst Junction area; curious if she can serve on Crew. There are no stipulations on residence in our by-laws. Jen will confirm with DPI if there is a limit on out of district Governance Crew members.
Carie will check with Jon Gadbois if he is interested
- H. Mission and Vision Statements
Feedback provided in shared folder
Current Mission: Point of Discovery School is a collaborative Expeditionary Learning community that ignites a passion for learning through authentic experiences and partnerships that build character, intellectual achievement, and civic responsibility.

New Mission: The mission of Point of Discovery School is to be an innovative and inclusive school community that nurtures confident, empowered students through authentic learning opportunities.

It was moved and seconded (Rice, J., Razvi) to adopt the mission statement for Point of Discovery School as: The mission of Point of Discovery School is to be an innovative and inclusive school community that nurtures confident, empowered students through authentic learning opportunities. Motion passed 8 yes - 0-no.

Current Vision: Point of Discovery School is a model Expeditionary Learning community that recognizes the unique qualities of every child. We value inquiry, creativity, collaboration, critical thinking, innovation and service. We help students achieve higher standards for learning and exemplary character. We embrace diversity and foster partnerships with the larger community. Our families are engaged in our learning community and are essential to the success of our students and their school.

5. GOALS 2019-2020

- A. GRADE EXPANSION
No report
- B. CONNECTION TO GREATER COMMUNITY
 - i. Marketing
Encourage PoDS families to “rate” the school in Facebook and Google Maps
District is continuing to help promote PoDS through Social Media, also reaching to families that have students attend out of district
Follow up with new families - Consider ways to welcome in new students; invite to attend virtual crews
Show ads through Screen Vision at the beginning of movies in theatres
- C. SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS
No report

6. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. Governance Crew June 3, 2020 6 p.m.
- B. Governance Crew July 1, 2020 6 p.m.
- C. Governance Crew August 5, 2020 6 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded (Razi, Winn) to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.

Jen Zach, President

Carie Winn, Vice-president
