

**POINT OF DISCOVERY SCHOOL
GOVERNANCE CREW
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
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1900 WEST ZINDA DRIVE, STEVENS POINT, WI 54481**

NOTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Carie Winn called the PoDS Governance Crew to order at 6:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

☒ Dan Lathrop (non-voting)	☒ Aiden Moore	☒ Christine Munson	☒ Connie Negaard (non-voting)
☒ Alicia Razvi	☐ Jeff Rice	☒ Jen Ries	☒ Terry Rothmann
☐	☒ Carie Winn	☐ Jen Zach	

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved and seconded (Rothmann, Ries) to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6 yes - 0 no

4. STAFF DISCUSSION OF FIRST EXPEDITION

Science: Simple machines; [Rube Goldberg](#)

Need: electricians - Jeff may have contacts; check into synchronized light shows; MidState?

Math: Some engineering; bridge project; redesign soda case; logo design and symmetry; classroom economy

Need: converting between units - accounting/cost/expense/profit; The Pineries bank connection - Gadbois family (John and Rachael)

Social Studies: Economics - micro and macro; focus on local

Need: Central Wisconsin Economic Research Bureau - [Kevin Neuman](#); Dick Okray; County Exec - [Chris Holman](#); Jeremy Solin for Tapped Maple Syrup; Jenny Riegenbach; Rising Sand Organics; Skyward; Al Marten - Marten Machine; Krypto Currency and Code; Ms Quittersky's friend; Trade vs purchase; Brent Guzdomski teacher at SPASH developed personal finance course

Reading: concepts of circular economy, story of stuff, as we're thinking about the problems...how do concepts of economy relate? Book groups - memoirs of inventors along with fiction. Grant writing.

Need: Book Suggestions - Brave New World; The Time Machine . Speakers - [Aaron Kadoch](#) w/ pitch class. Erin Andrews from Community Foundation. Jeremy Higgins at Boys and Girls Club. [Sam Sam Dinga](#) - solving a problem. Pirate economy. Asking for parents to be part of book groups. Web site of [A mighty girl](#) for character overviews. Pod Casts - [Smash Boom Best](#), TEDTalks and YouTube pieces? Aida Lovelace - partial inventor of machine that became a computer.

Project Skills: SharkTank - come up with innovative solution to problem. Problem could be anything. Going to develop spreadsheet to share out with students and their ideas that Governance Crew can help ID. [Heidelberg Project](#). How to do interviews. [Field Guide to Human Centered Design](#). Bringing in concepts of marketing and public relations; developing project/business plan. Recording of students of exploration of ideas. Develop pitches and ping pong brain storming.

Send ideas to Dan.

5. BUSINESS (INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION)

A. Minutes from August 7, 2019

It was moved and seconded (Razvi, Ries) to approve the August 7, 2019 minutes. Motion passed 6 yes - 0 no

B. Treasurers Report

Balance as of 2452.40

C. Report from Lead Teacher

Camp went well. New students had engaging start. Today was kick off to expedition at IDEA Center. There were 18 innovators to share what they are working on; students were engaged and asked good questions.

- D. Report from Administrative Liaison
Grant approved - DPI has new consultant. Low Ropes course is up and ready to use.
WPT HomeTown Series is focusing on Stevens Point. Looking for education component.
- E. EL National Conference Attendance October 16-19, 2019 Atlanta
All PoDS faculty and staff attending. StoryCorps is leading one of the pre-conference expeditions. Alicia attending from Governance Crew.
- F. Governance Crew membership
Spoke with Greg Wright - not able to be on board now, but is interested in future. Need to connect back with Jen.

6. GRANT UPDATE

Included in Report from Administrative Liaison

7. GOALS 2019-2020

- A. GRADE EXPANSION
PoDS wants personalized high school experience with individual learning plans. Core studies done through PoDS; electives done at SPASH, MidState, UWSP as appropriate. Grad requirements to be more than district minimum. Next phase is looking at personalized learning plans; transcripts; etc. Meeting again in first week of Oct to present to School Board in November.
- B. CONNECTION TO GREATER COMMUNITY
 - i. Marketing
Events outside PoDS building is useful
Referendum feedback was around videos - [Lee Vaughter](#) is possible contact; also met with Renaissance; ideal to have a few short videos rather than one long one
Marketing Committee - will meet in future
- C. SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS
Integrate into alternative graduation requirements

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. Governance Crew October 2, 2019 6 p.m.
- B. Site Visit from DPI re grant October 8, 2019 PoDS 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- C. Governance Crew November 6, 2019 6 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm

Jen Zach, President

Carie Winn, Vice-president
