

**MEETING MINUTES
POINT OF DISCOVERY SCHOOL
GOVERNANCE CREW
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
POINT OF DISCOVERY SCHOOL
1900 WEST ZINDA DRIVE, STEVENS POINT, WI 54481**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, November 8, 2017, Point of Discovery School Governance Crew will hold a meeting. The meeting will be held at Point of Discovery School, 1900 West Zinda Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54481

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER Jen Zach called the meeting to order at 6:04

2. ROLL CALL AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM

☒ Ray Ackerlund	☒ Dan Lathrop	☐ Christine Munson	☒ Connie Negaard (non-voting)
☐ Alicia Razvi	☒ Terry Rothmann	☐ Jeremy Solin	☐
☒ Brad Van Den Elzen	☒ Jen Zach		

Excused: Christine Munson, Alicia Razvi, Jeremy Solin

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA Rothmann/Ackerlund Motion Passed 5-0

4. BUSINESS (INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION)

- A. Minutes from October 4, 2017 **Rothmann/Ackerlund Motion Passed 5-0**
- B. Governance Crew Membership **Carrie Winn to join PoDS Governance Crew: Van Den Elzen / Ackerlund Motion Passed 5-0**
- C. Treasurers Report **Balance \$9702.65**
Two bills outstanding – Lion’s Camp, approx. \$4000; Outward Bound \$10,535. Current fund balance + proceeds from Monster Dash (approx. \$2500) are insufficient to cover, but Plates for PoDS will be sufficient. Lathrop to inquire about payment options with Lions.
- D. Report from Lead Teacher
Lead Teacher’s report:

- (1) long-term sub for music has agreed to stay on for a few more weeks. Still searching for replacement for remainder of school year.
- (2) Final projects for both expeditions have begun.
- (3) Student-led conferences are on-going. Feedback from previous year suggested a change to scheduling so that parents can meet all teachers (rather than crew leader alone). More of an open house format. Feedback thus far has been positive. Lathrop fears open format (rather than dedicated appointment times) may lead to fewer parent visits owing to less structure. A combined approach will be deployed next year.

Report from Administrative Liaison

Administrative Liaison’s report:

- (1) Backgrounder on DPI planning grant provided. Wisconsin has \$95 million in charter school grant funds. PoDS is eligible. Standing by for request for proposals.
- (2) School report cards are out but embargoed. Will return to these.

5. 2017-2018 GOALS (INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION)

Following decisions at October crew meeting, standing efforts are

A. Student Fieldwork

- **Monster Dash – planning should start earlier, particularly as relates to soliciting sponsorships. Lathrop proposes seeking school sponsors—not for a particular event—but overall. These sponsors would be**

sustaining of all efforts rather than discrete events. Ackerlund notes that issue with this is a sponsor perceived to be favoring one school over another. Untenable in the context of a district. Winn notes that asking sponsors to develop teams to participate in an event can resonate. Ackerlund notes that certain events are listed as "wellness events" with medical insurers. Agreed this is something to explore.

- i. More entertainment aspect
 - ii. Not Halloween weekend, October 13 is proposed for 2018
 - iii. Consensus is to keep using Active for registration
 - iv. Need a dedicated team for promotion
 - v. Facebook advertisements ... perhaps more focused / geo-fenced to other activities
 - vi. Consider earlier start time and make three events ... mini / haunted / 5k (?)
 - vii. Make t-shirts chargeable
 - viii. Food trucks (?)
- Plates for PoDS – Chef who did last year is willing and able to do again this year. Recommendation is April 26, 2018. Once we determine number of tickets to sell we will establish a working group.

B. Professional Development of Staff

- Lathrop shared regular schedule, which includes individual, team and all-staff gatherings. Staff has been tasked with identifying training opportunities outside.

C. Community Involvement at PoDS

- Dynamic discussion at last meeting (captured in minutes) about how to increase this.
- Get out in front of community organizations
- Lathrop wants to do more Open Houses
- Point in Common – host one of their events and attach to an Open House

Lunch for local business leaders

Winn to reach out to Business Council

6. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- i. Midnight Monster Dash October 28, 2017
- ii. Governance Crew December 6, 2017
- iii. Governance Crew January 3, 2018

7. ADJOURNMENT 7:15 Motion to adjourn Van Den Elzen/Rothmann 6-0