

# Fox River Academy Governance Board Minutes



Monday November 6, 2023 at 5pm-in person- Upper Level GTB

Agenda Item	Action to Be Taken, By Whom	Time
Welcome	Action; Grainne B  Meeting called to order at 5:01 pm. Introductions were made.	5:00pm
Approval of Oct Minutes	Action; Amanda V  Jim Birch proposed a motion to approve the October minutes. Moira Hoffman seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed.	5:05pm
Vote in <a href="#">New Board</a>	Action; Vote in at large first; then voting members  Grainne Beckett proposes a motion to vote in the at-large members as listed on the board slate document. All in favor. None opposed.  Brianna Stapel proposes a motion to vote in the voting members as listed on the board slate document. Grainne Beckett seconded. All in favor. None opposed.  Sara Leintz proposes a motion to vote in the officers as listed on the board slate document. Meghan Gremban seconded. All in favor. None opposed.  Motion carries.	5:10pm
Principal/Lead Teacher Update	Discussion; Melissa C & Sara L - <a href="#">Branding</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Melissa and Sara talked prior to the new signs at Jefferson.</li> <li>● Fox needs more approval to add branding through our Governance Board.</li> <li>● Concerns were raised about having signs/branding that are removable and able to take to another building if Fox River continues to grow and needs a new location.</li> <li>● Mock ups were shared                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$725 Circular sign for the front of the building</li> <li>○ Logos on Murals Throughout the School                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ \$40 per decal</li> <li>■ \$60 one-time design price</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Large Logo by ½ classroom's &amp; GTB entrance to Jefferson                                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Option A: \$835</li> <li>■ Option B: Blue Fox River Large Sign \$835</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	5:20pm

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<p>Fund Requests</p> <p>A little over \$5500 in the account.</p>	<p>Discussion/Action;</p> <p>-Approval of funds for teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$50 per teacher</li> <li>● Kate Huber proposed the motion to give \$50 to each teacher to support their classrooms during the holiday season. Sara Leintz seconded. All in favor. None opposed.</li> </ul> <p>-Ski Club Support/Subsidize</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Could we use some funds to support students that are interested in Ski Club but might not have the funds to do so? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ We could offer money off of the total cost (\$200).</li> </ul> </li> <li>● We need to have 3 years of an established ski club before we can get funding.</li> <li>● Kate Huber proposed the motion to support students with ski club participation (\$200 from 501c3) that can be allocated situationally as seen fit by the motion. Moira Huffman seconded. All in favor. None opposed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sara will get back to Kate tomorrow with any amount that we can contribute.</li> <li>○ Could we use PBIS money towards this?</li> <li>○ Family Engagement Supplies ??</li> <li>○ Teachers will decide who needs the help and will</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>5:35pm</p>

	<p>coordinate that.</p> <p>-Bike repair/tune-ups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amanda and Conor Fitzpatrick along with Daniel got half of the bikes tuned up.</li> <li>● 5-8 learned about the bikes and the maintenance of the bikes.</li> <li>● No cost to this so far.</li> <li>● If it is possible, Conor and Amanda will put together an invoice for costs so that they can get a tax exemption for this.</li> </ul> <p>-Marketing materials/Charter Fair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Joann: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Original brochure - we found it because Joann was able to get it tracked down at another printer.</li> <li>○ We made a few changes on it.</li> <li>○ Betsy has recreated a new one from the original one. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ This would be more money.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Joann got a quote for the one that we have at the printer. 200 = \$139, 500 = \$221 (This is just printing - not including changes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ \$60 an hour for any changes.</li> <li>■ Thought process: print less of them so that we don't have too many and it isn't as hard to keep them up to date.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Grainne Beckett made a motion to approve \$250 from the 501c3 for the Charter Materials. Sara Leintz seconded. All in favor. None opposed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Committees & Clubs	<p>Discussion;</p> <p><b><u>Tabled until December</u></b></p> <p>-Retention &amp; Recruitment</p> <p>-Neurodiversity Group</p> <p>-Ski Club</p>	5:50pm
Community Update	<p>Discussion;</p> <p>Anything for Good of the Group</p>	5:55pm
Adjourn	<p>Action; Laura H (new president)</p> <p>Meeting called to close at 6:09 pm.</p>	6:00pm
Next Meeting	December 4, 2023 (virtual)	

*Mission: The Fox River Academy will foster in its students the passion and curiosity necessary for lifelong learning, and will, through an integrated, multi-age curriculum, increase students' proficiencies in the use of strategic learning processes and higher order thinking skills needed to be stewards of the environment and community.*

*In attendance:* Meghan Gerarden, Erin Christopherson, Sara Leintz, Amanda Voss, Laura Huckins, Grainne Kelly Beckett, Meghan McCallum, Brianna Stapel, Deanna Widman, Maggie Alfrey, Melissa Chrisman, Joann Kasper, Nicki Mech, Leanna Miller, Wendy Lewandoski, James Birch, Daniel Solie, Kate Huber, Meghan Gremban, Amber Baumgartner, Katie Kilsdonk, Moira Huffman, Jon Kellermann, Nicole Rhode