

Minutes of The Greenspire School
Board of Education - Regular Meeting
September 19th, 2016

- I. **Call to Order & Roll Call:** President Kurt Sanford called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held in the Math Commons area. Present: Kurt Sanford, Matthew Missias, Tara Ward, Dodd Russell, Meagan Batdorff. Absent: Raymond Minervini.
- II. **Changes or Additions to Agenda:** None
- III. **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Batdorff to approve the regular meeting minutes on June 20th, 2016, seconded by Ward, voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
- IV. **Public Comment:** None
- V. **Recognitions:** None
- VI. **Board Correspondence:** None
- VII. **Presentations:** None
- VIII. **Reports:**
 - i. Head of School and Superintendent's Report: Kelly welcomed the board to the new school year and welcomed new board member Dodd Russell. He stated that the Spring audit for pupil accounting was flawless and is appreciative of Kelly Francisco's efforts and the board seconded that appreciation of her efforts. Enrollment update; 105 students with a wait list around 16. District advisory council representative for TCAPs has been filled by parent Janice Chambers. Update on fundraising; Harvest celebration scheduled for Friday, October 7th with a goal of \$5000, grown up recess this Thursday from 7-9 at Brew. The Leelanau Outdoor Center field trip wrapped up last week, was very successful, and the school extended reduced costs to families in financial need as well as a repayment plan. The total amount extended is around \$3200, but should receive all of those funds. There is a discussion of the possibility of alternatives to LOC because of attendance rates this year. Board discussed other options such as other venues, grade level trips, school student exchange, curriculum committee will be charged with coming up with ideas for next year.
 - ii. President's Report: Sanford thanked staff for no turnover, and Kevin Kelly and Jill Rowley for their work over the summer. Recommended board attending events to get to know staff and students.
 - iii. Treasurer's Report: Batdorff passed out report and reviewed the summary. Fund balance looks strong if stay on budget, it will be around 11%. Projected per pupil revenues is down about \$90 per pupil.
 - iv. Committee Reports
 - i. Finance/Facilities:: Sanford reviewed the committee report. Partition for Maple will be installed with a completion goal of December 2016. Expansion of Maple during the summer of 2017 for completion by Fall

2017. Crosswalk and school zone signage will be installed, no date has been set.

- ii. Grants/Advancement: No report.
- iii. Family/Teacher Council: Ward reviewed report.
- iv. Personnel: No report.
- v. Curriculum: Ward reported discussion on Project Based Learning training this summer that Kelly Francisco attended. Would like to send 1-2 more staff in the coming year. Project Lead the Way discussion, Emily Feaster attended the training this summer and will return for additional training for future units. Math Program changes; Eric Breithaupt explained how the new online program will be used. Advisory groups have been formed and will meet twice a week in lieu of morning council. They will also be used for chores at the end of the day.

IX. Discussion Items:

- i. 2016-2017 Calendar Review; Kelly reviewed master calendar. Ward asked about BioBlitz, Kelly stated it was a successful day event, very well organized by parent Paula McIntyre and the Cerulean Center.
- ii. Formal Complaint Policy; Kelly introduced the public complaints policy. Board will review and make recommendations.
- iii. Fall 2013 Policy Updates; Ward volunteered to look at Policy updates, Batdorff will also look at it.

X. Action Items:

- i. Spring 2016 Policy Updates; Tabled to October.

XI. Public Comment: None

XII. Adjournment: Motion by Ward to adjourn meeting, second by Missias, voice vote; 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Eric Breithaupt
Recording Secretary