

Sarasota School of Arts & Sciences  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes  
December 14, 2011

Board members present: Larry Eger, Terry McGannon, Heather Staine, Matt Wenzel, Tanya Jones, Ray Thacker, David Jennings, Mickey Stone, James McKelly, Steve Ruggiero

Guests present: Marilyn Highland, Missy Wachob, Jamie Bailey, Tara Tahmosh, Carl Williams.

I. Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance – The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mr. Eger and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

II. Meeting minutes of November 16, 2011 – Ms. Jones noted a correction to be made to Mr. Ruggiero's title with the PTSS. He was incorrectly noted as Vice President and he is the Treasurer. Motion to approve the minutes with that correction by Ms. Jones; seconded by Mr. McGannon. Unanimously approved.

III. President of Board's Report - Mr. Eger acknowledged Dr. Highland, Ms. Staine, Ms. Tahmosh, Ms. Wachob, Ms. Bailey and Mr. Williams for their hard work in getting the building finished and getting us moved in.

IV. Principal's Report – Dr. Highland reported that we're about 98% ready in the new school. We do not yet have communications established with the two story tower building and we have some pending technology issues to address.

Administration was nominated by Ms. Staine for the Tampa Bay Business Journal Ultimate Management Team award and won first place.

V. Staff Report - Mr. Stone stated that teachers are happy.

VI. PTSS Report –Ms. Abbe stated that the PTSS bank balance was around \$7000. Their goal is to present a check to the school for \$26,000 at the end of the year. The PTSS voted at their general membership meeting to allow Mr. Ruggiero to take over the position of PTSS representative on the SSAS Board from Ms. Abbe.

VII. Treasurer's Report - Missy Wachob presented for Matt Wenzel.

a. Audit Report F/Y/E June 30, 2011 - The auditor recommended that we have fewer adjustments at the end of the year. See attached audit report.

b. There was a discussion regarding draw amounts and balance in construction accounts.

VIII. Old Business

a. Principal Search Committee Report – The schedule for interviews is set. See attached.

b. Board Member Nominations - PTSS Representative -- A motion was made by Mr. McGannon to allow Steve Ruggiero to replace Ms. Abbe as the PTSS representative on the Board. Ms. Jones seconded. Unanimously approved.

IX. New Business -- None.

X. Open to the Public -- Mr. Stone read an email from Chris Winsey expressing her regrets for not being able to attend and that she is still interested in joining the board.

Mr. Eger mentioned a radio series on NPR regarding charter schools, the subject being serving disabled children.

Ms. Lystad stated that she ran the model autistic school in Colorado.

XI. Adjourn Meeting - Next Board meeting is January 23, 2012. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Stone; seconded by Ms. Jones. Adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Submitted by:

  
Secretary

1/23/2012  
Date

Approved by:

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President of the Board

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Date