

West Side Summit

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday July 19, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Location

497 Humboldt Avenue

We will meet at the school on the second floor: 497 Humboldt Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55107 at 7 pm. New board members have a governance training prior to the meeting.

Board Members Present

E. Abdulle, J. Gibeau, K. Kecker, M. Edison, W. Nordmark, Y. Lerew

Board Members Absent

Guests Present

A. Hendricks, K. Rimpila

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Stein called a meeting of the board of directors of West Side Summit to order on Tuesday Jul 19, 2016 @ 7:03 PM at 497 Humboldt Avenue.

C. Approve Minutes

E. Stein made a motion to approve minutes.
M. Edison seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Public Comment Period

No members of the public came to address the Board.

E. Consent Agenda

M. Edison made a motion to approve the consent agenda.
K. Kecker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Finance

A. June Financials

Ms. Kroll presented an overview of the June financial report with revenues of \$2,512,065 and expenditures of \$2,452,186 with a fund balance of \$59,879. The Board accepts the report and will file as printed.

B. Curriculum Bid Purchase Update

Ms. Klinzing shared that the curriculum purchased will save the school significant cost over time due to the value and amount of curriculum and supplies included.

C. Enrollment Report

Ms. Hanson shared that 181 students have enrolled at WSS for the coming year.

D. Executive Director Job Performance Review Walk Through

Ms. Stein shared an overview of the CEO Evaluation process and invited all Board members to participate in the review before July 30th.

III. Facility

A. Construction Update

Ms. Hanson shared about construction progress in the building, including lead abatement, fixes to the sprinkler system, and fire code compliance. Construction in the building is on schedule.

IV. Governance

A. Update On Board Induction Program for New Board Members

Ms. Klinzing and Ms. Edison shared about the upcoming board trainings for new board members.

B. School Uniform Policy

Ms. Jibeau shared her perspective on desiring new uniforms that are more durable and professional-looking. The Board decided to create a committee to discuss uniform options and inform the Board about recommendations for the coming school year. The committee will meet in the next few weeks to make a decision.

C. Early Admission Policy

Ms. Hendricks shared an overview of research she has done into early admission policies at similar schools in the area. The Board members discussed the benefits and drawbacks of changing the early admittance policy to allow early kindergarten entrance after September 30. Board members discussed other options for providing early educational experiences, such as partnering with a preschool program. Board members decided to keep the policy as written and to explore other options.

D. Elect Board Officers

Y. Lerew made a motion to approve by slate the following officers: - Erin Stein, Chair - Yvonne Lerew, Co-Chair - Madaline Edison, Secretary - Ravi Shanbhag, Treasurer.

K. Kecker seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Community Engagement

A. Review of Community Engagement Events

Ms. Hanson gave an overview of past community engagement events and upcoming opportunities, including a back to school orientation on August 18th.

VI. Academic Excellence

A. Academic DATA Summary Review

Board members reviewed trends in academic outcomes data based on NWEA, STEP, and other assessments. Board members praised WSS teachers for their accomplishments in achieving growth that outpaces the national norm, especially as measured by the NWEA. Board members discussed areas for growth going forward.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Edison

M. Edison made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

E. Stein seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.