

**GOVERNING BOARD ANNUAL MEETING**

**August 17, 2023- 2:00 pm ET**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Lisa Fuhrmeister, Board Treasurer Board, Jennifer Parker, Board Secretary

**Guests:** Brenda Santiago, Thomas Sternberg, Debra Bele, Megan Sandoval, Melissa Stokke Larson, Susie Siever, Ed DePersis

1. **Call to Order** – Board Treasurer L. Fuhrmeister, commenced the meeting at 2:02 pm ET
2. **Roll Call -** The roll call was conducted, and a quorum confirmed by L. Fuhrmeister
3. **Routine Business**- L. Fuhrmeister
	1. J. Parker made a motion to approve the August 17, 2023 agenda and L. Fuhrmeister seconded: Unanimous vote for approval
	2. J. Parker made a motion to approve the minutes of the 7/20/23 board meeting and L. Fuhrmeister seconded: Unanimous vote for approval

1. **Information Items**
	1. Susie Siever provided an Enrollment & Marketing Presentation
		1. Current enrollment status: 7208 Leads in last 45 days; 1810 applications; 294 applications awaiting final verification; 424 full verified enrollments
		2. Current Media Campaigns running: search ads and optimization, social media, digital display ads and digital video ads
		3. Current social media ads were shared with the board
	2. State of the School Report – B. Santiago and M. Stokke Larson
		1. In Person PD saw 14 sessions over 2 days
		2. School successfully started for the 23-24 school year with welcome assemblies, new student orientations and meet the teacher events
		3. Teaching and Learning priorities are focused on building relationships, establishing routines and collecting baseline data
		4. There are currently 2 staff vacancies
		5. Preparing for I-Ready and PM1, PLCs and data meetings, and finalizing SIP
		6. VPA has adopted Along, a teacher-student connection builder that helps teachers make each student feel seen and understood
		7. School Operations
			1. Scheduling incoming students
			2. Processing student records requests
			3. Supporting special programs and student services: SWD, ELLs, 504, Gifted, FIT

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1. **Action Items**
	1. J. Parker made a motion to approve invoices and L. Fuhrmeister seconded; unanimous vote for approval
	2. J. Parker made a motion to approve the Final 2023-24 School Budget and L. Fuhrmeister seconded; unanimous vote for approval
	3. J. Parker made a motion to opt into the District’s Reading Plan and L. Fuhrmeister seconded; unanimous vote for approval
	4. J. Parker made a motion to approve Brenda Santiago to act as the Governing Board Parental Representative and L. Fuhrmeister seconded; unanimous vote for approval
2. **Additional Comments from the Board**
	1. Next board meeting date: September 21, 2023
	2. J. Parker asked if the board was amendable to rescheduling monthly board meetings from 2:00 to 3:00 EST due to work meeting conflict. Pending agreement from S. Johns, Board Chair, this change will be communicated in advance of the September board meeting.
	3. Wishing everyone a wonderful and productive school year!
3. **Public Comment** No public comment
4. **Adjournment** L. Fuhrmeister announced adjournment at 2:37pm