

February 17 Minutes

Attending board members: Grace Hanson, Mary Ander, Tony Scallon, Ken Vreeland, Liz Lonetti

Board member via phone: Fouzia Gadid

Other: Jeremy, Paul

Call to order by Grace at 7:00pm at Parkway Pizza 4359 Minnehaha Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55406

Item 1: approve agenda

Mary motioned.

Ken seconded.

All approved.

7:10 pm Item 2: approve minutes from previous meeting

Ken moved to amend Grace's title to board chair and Ken as Vice Chair.

Tony second.

All voted in favor.

B. Tony motion to approve minutes as amended.

Mary seconded.

All voted in favor.

7:20 pm Item 3: set up interviews for part time set up coordinator

Discussion: Grace set up questions. Ken recommended 10 questions. Tony, Grafe and Mary will do interviews. Questions to be done by last week in February. Interviews will be likely done by first week in March. They will pass along to recommendations to rest of board.

Ken motioned to interview as discussed.

Mary seconded.

All accepted

Fouzia had to leave phone due to emergency.

7:30pm Item 4: RFP request

Grace will get list ready of vendor.

7:35pm item 5: school life location search

A. Jeremy and Paul gave update. 505 is out for fall 2015. It might be a consideration for fall 2016. Only two viable options in their opinion: Urban League Academy in South Minneapolis and Griggs in St. Paul. ULA would be likely to do a one year lease and allow use of equipment and furniture. The space itself would need cleaning and rebranding. Space is adequate for 120 students

but not much room for growth. Griggs would likely be a 5 or more year lease. Space is ready other than painting and new carpet. New wiring would also be put in a second computer room. Space is available to expand.

B. Discussion.

Grace completely against Griggs. Authorizer may not allow St. Paul site. She does not want to compete with other charter school in Griggs.

Mary worried about ULA's identity to that address.

Liz et all concerned with just getting into a site to start.

Tony stated authorizer would require St. Paul site to be analyzed due to affidavit and contract language.

Ken recommends ULA to make sure we have time to recruit and build programming.

C. Ken motion to have Paul and Jeremy to negotiate with Urban League Academy 2201 Blaisdell Ave So Minneapolis for a one year lease.

Liz second.

Tony, Ken, Liz and Mary vote yes.

Grace abstained.

8:15pm Item 6: next board meeting

Board meeting is set for March 6 at 4:30pm with location to be decided.

Adjourned at 8:20pm

Motion by Grace.

Second by Mary.

All in favor.

Liz Lonetti

Secretary