

ICS Board of Directors Open Session
Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2017

Present: Sommer Drake, Diane Amour, Justin Thundercloud, Armando Zaragoza, Carrie McGhee Gleba, Jone Stromberg, Carmen Flores

Also Present: Jason Dropik, Bonnie Thielecke, Tom Oechler, Tony Brazouski, Beth Stawski, Carol Amour, Debbie Martindale

The meeting was called to order at 4:13 p.m.

Diane Amour led the group in Prayer.

Armando Zaragoza read the Mission Statement.

Sommer Drake introduced Tony Brazouski the new Chief Academic Officer. Ms. Drake reported that Mr. Brazouski will begin his position with the School on July 17th. Introductions were made.

A break was taken at 4:28 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 4:38 p.m.

It was moved by Armando Zaragoza and seconded by Jone Stromberg to approve the June 21, 2017 Board Executive Session minutes. The motion carried. (7-0-0) (Carmen Flores included her vote when she arrived at the meeting.)

It was moved by Justin Thundercloud and seconded by Carrie McGhee Gleba to approve the July 6, 2017 Executive Session minutes. The motion carried. (7-0-0) (Ms. Flores included her vote when she arrived at the meeting.)

Facilities Report – Tom Oechler reported the following:

- Boardwalk and wetland scrape – Work is progressing even though the weather has not been cooperating. One of the four ponds is done. The goal is to get two of the four ponds completed so the actual building of the Boardwalk can begin.
- PLTW STEM Lab – Construction of the lab met with some difficulties but were solved. We will not have the furniture for the lab on the first day of school, however classes can be held.
- Heated Pavement Project – The tubing and plumbing is being laid for the heated system. Things are progressing smoothly. Tim Hayes and Tim Geshke have been very involved in the project and will provide an update at the next Building and Ground's meeting.
- Carpeting in the library has been replaced.
- The Front Entrance Display Unit has been delivered, however not yet in use. Tables are in front of it at this time to prevent damage from occurring to the unit.
- A meeting regarding renewable energy was held and Facilities will be providing an update.
- The Teaching Lodge collapsed due to the weather.
- Urinal problems will be discussed at the next Building and Grounds meeting.

Mr. Oechler referred the group to the final design for the gym floor and reported that it is scheduled to be completed in August.

It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with the design for the gym floor.

Financial Report – Tom Oechler

- Accounting is working on year end financials.
- The new payroll system is in place and working through the conversion issues.
- The Department is getting the new budget into the system.

Mr. Oechler reviewed the Dashboard and Financial Statements with the group.

Mr. Dropik and Mr. Oechler will be meeting to review some of the Academic expenses to ensure they are in the new budget.

Culture Coordinator Report – Diane Amour

- Reviewed the report submitted by Amy Tromp.

It was questioned if a decision had been made on the recruitment process. Diane Amour responded that the Culture Committee will assist in the recruitment and hiring process.

Community Relations Committee – Diane Amour reported

- The Committee met and discussed the History Wall being designed. Siobhan Marks is working on the design and will be presenting it to the committee soon. Mr. Dropik was asked to thank Ms. Kim Foley for her help in locating pictures for the project.
- There will be a meeting on July 14, 2017 to discuss the website redesign project.

Building & Grounds Committee – Tom Oechler reported:

- There is a concern about the number of bird strikes against the windows and the Committee will be discussing this further
- One bat house has been placed on the grounds and it appears to be occupied.

Board Governance Committee – Diane Amour reported:

- The committee met and made changes to some of the due diligence documents. These documents will be distributed at the next meeting.

Scholarship Committee – Justin Thundercloud reported:

- The Committee met and reviewed 17 Scholarship applications.
- The Committee noted that the writing skills of the students is improving.
- Comments were given for each applicant and Cindy Janecek will be sharing those comments with the students.
- One student did not receive the required 3.0 GPA, but was awarded the Scholarship. It was noted the requirements and course work of the school attended are more intense than most schools.
- The Committee will be meeting to review the approval process, application, materials and probationary guidelines. They will also be meeting with Mr. Oechler to review the financials for the program.

Academic Committee – Justin Thundercloud reported:

- The committee met to review the State of the School agenda.

Personnel Committee Ad Hoc Committee – Carrie McGhee Gleba reported:

- The Committee met and interviewed candidates for the Chief Academic Officer position.

UWM Powwow – Jason Dropik reported that UWM American Indian Student Association has requested \$7,000 from the School to support the UWM Powwow. Prior to receiving the request our Drum was invited to participate in the powwow

It was the consensus of the Board that Mr. Dropik notify the UWM American Indian Student Association to put forth a proposal of their request to the Board for consideration.

The meeting convened to Executive Session at 5:36 p.m.

The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 7:16 p.m.

Jason Dropik distributed materials for his Izhi nanaagadanending 2016-2107 presentation, which translates to “a place where people take time to contemplate each other”. During his presentation he reviewed the student demographics, MAP and Fountas & Pinnell Assessment scores, assessment/observations other than testing, and provided the Academic next steps and reflections on the past year and goals moving forward.

The Board thanked Mr. Dropik for his presentation.

A Board and Staff retreat was scheduled for Saturday, October 14. The retreat will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be held at ICS. Dr. Means will be the facilitator.

Board members who will be attending the NIEA Conference in October should confirm their attendance with Ms. Martindale. The Board requested that Mr. Brazouski plan to attend the conference.

It was the consensus of the Board that the October 4, 2017 Open Session will remain as scheduled.

It was the consensus of the Board that the August Open and Executive Sessions will be held at ICS

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Amour, Secretary

8/2/17
Date Approved