

World Learner School



World Learner School Board Work Session Agenda May 15, 2017

1. Call to Order – 6:00 pm

2. Roll Call/Quorum Confirmed

In attendance: Patti Quinn, Michelle Strain, Eva Maher, Amy Mittelstadt, Tina Lyder, Beth Wilson, Jody Luck
Danielle Wishard-Tudor

Non-board Members Present: Deana Siekmann

3. Approval of Agenda and Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

Jody made a motion to approve the agenda and Declaration of Conflicts of Interest. Eva seconded the motion. After no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

4. Information/Discussion

A. Board Committee Reports

1. Finance

a. Budget FY18 scenarios

The board looked at the estimated budgets for FY18 and discussed the proposals. The board also looked at a letter from Governor Dayton in response to the state's proposed funding of education in their new budget. The WLS FY18 budget is currently based on a 1.5% increase in state funding.

b. Before/After Care Plan Review

Deana updated the board about the revision of the B/A Care, as directed by the board. Information about the new system went out to all the WLS parents last week. Preference will be given to WLS students before community children.

2. Academic

a. Update on Assessments

MAP testing begins tomorrow, 5/16. The focus is on "growth" this year.

b. Growing WLS to include HS or Early Childhood

Some investigation was done on the interest and feasibility of introducing High School or Early Childhood to WLS in the past. There was some discussion between the board members, then, about whether this was a need for WLS.

c. Other considerations for WLS programming

As was she was directed, Deana gathered information about ways to enrich WLS programming. Growth Mindset development, accessing habits of work, character growth, pursuing a Green-Ribbon school, tying Montessori and STEM together, New Literacy (coding and programming), were all activities and programs that Deana researched and shared with the Board to aid in their work of long-range visioning for WLS. The board then discussed the next steps towards implementing some of these programs.

3. Building

There was a situation today where the fire alarms were triggered due to
The Building Company is in the process of putting together a cost analysis of items

4. Fundraising/PTO

PTO is currently working on forming next year's team. They are still in need of a President at this time.

5. Marketing

Buy a sign!

6. Personnel

a. Application Process

Amy gathered different applications for employment from a variety of schools for the Board to look at as they think about redesigning the WLS Application of Employment. Amy suggested adding a link to the WLS website to access an application. The board is to look through the different applications and pick out items they feel will be beneficial to add to the current application and then respond to Amy.

b. Review of Director Mid-Year Summary

Deana pointed out part 2 of the Performance Goals. What strategies does the board want to investigate further, as per the requirements of Deana's performance goals?

7. Policy

- a. Review Policy List – all policies have been reviewed for FY17
- b. * Delete –
- c. ** New – Wellness Policy Discussion
- d. *** Review

8. Technology

The Upper Elementary classrooms were the recipients of a \$5000 technology grants- to be spent on Ipads and cases.

9. Board Training Options

- a. Legislative Update- Deana will keep the Board posted on any Legislative decisions regarding budgeting.

- 5. Summarize items for Action agenda on 5.22.17
Wellness Policy to be added.

6. Scheduling

- 1. Next WLS Board Meeting: May 22, 6:00 pm

Motion to adjourn: Tina made a motion to adjourn, and Eva seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.