

The World Learner School of Chaska
Annual Meeting of March 24, 2015 7:00 pm.
Agenda

- **Welcome and acknowledgements – Deana Siekmann**
Deana welcomed everyone to the meeting. She shared the fact that WLS is celebrating its 20th Anniversary of existence and thanked the parents for their support. She then publically recognized the staff of WLS and the WLS School Board. She acknowledged the WLS PTO and all their hard work. A few brief announcements were made concerning dates and school happenings.
- **Call the Meeting to order 7:00 PM – Bob Davis CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:43.**
Bob Davis, Board President, called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum.
- **Reading of minutes from 2014 Annual Meeting – Beth Wilson**
The membership waived the reading of the minutes.
- **Motion to approve minutes – Bob Davis**
Ann Decker made a motion to approve the Minutes from the 2014 Annual Meeting, and Kendra Hoffman seconded it. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Thank you to retiring board members – Deana Siekmann**
Deana extended her appreciation our retiring board members: Richard Druce, Beth Wilson, and Joanne Gaudette.
- **Introduction of candidates: - Bob Davis**

Teacher Candidates –	One Year – Ashley Godinez, Melissa Bullerman
	Two Year – Patti Quinn, Mitra Rahmi, Amy Tripp
Parent Candidates –	Two Year – Eva Maher, Michelle Strain

Each parent introduced themselves and shared a bit about themselves to the member body.

Community Candidates -	NONE
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- **Review proposed changes to By-laws: - Deana Siekmann**
Before the election of the new board members there needs to be a vote on a Bylaw change to move teachers to a two-year term from the one year term they currently have. Julie Bartley made a motion to approve bylaw change, Kelly Simer seconded. There was no discussion, the motion passed unanimously.
- **Election of board members and vote to change bylaws - Bob Davis**
(ballot counting – Kendra, Ashley, volunteer from crowd)
Sally Reed volunteered from the membership body to join the ballot counting.
- **Finance Report and look to next year – Patti Quinn**
Patti Quinn shared a report of the FY 2014 finances. She began by sharing how the school receives their revenue: state, special ed, federal, other. 2.13 million is the expected revenue for the FY 2015 school year. She shared how the money is broken up on the budget and that expenditures will be about 2.18 million. Patti explained how the fund balance works, and that WLS took a one-time expenditure from the fund balance to cover costs associated with the new building project. The fund balance was reported to be at a healthy 36%. The WLS bond agreement requires us to have a

1.2 debt ratio, and this year WLS is at 1.18 due to the one-time expenditure. For next year, the ratio is set for 1.2.

■ **Facilities Report and look to next year – Beth Wilson**

Deana prepared a slide show with pictures and floor plans of the new area and redesigned areas, and Beth explained the use of each of the new spaces. The project came in a bit over budget due to unforeseen circumstances- past permits from past projects and soil issues.

■ **Parent Teacher Organization – PTO President Danielle Wishard-Tudor**

Danielle gave a brief summary of the PTO and their mission. They support the teacher through luncheons, they host different fundraising events (including the fund drive, the book fair, the Shindig, and the garage sale), they participate in Hooked on Books, and they put on the End of the School Annual Picnic on the last day of school. The money raised by the PTO goes towards different student outings, a yearbook for every student, and large scale projects round the school.

■ **A look back at this year’s accomplishments and future goals – Mitra Rahimi & Melissa Bullerman**

Accomplishments

- Children feel cared for
- Children still go outside
- Funding Shifts for PE
- Life Skills
- Out in the community
- Math Summer Camps
- New Library System
- Chess Club
- Felt Welcomed to express concerns
- Empowerment of Children
- Children seem to care about one another
- Deep Portage- all three years
- Parent Education Opportunities

Ideas

- Rubber Chips for backyard
- More Summer Camps
- More after school clubs
- Foreign Language
- A new website
- Need community member help
- Partnership with the Loft

■ **Family Survey Invitation - Kendra Hoffman**

Kendra took the opportunity to explain the family survey to the parent body and why it is so important for everyone to fill it out. The survey for this school year has been sent out as of this evening.

■ **Results of election announcement – Bob Davis**

The full slate was elected.

■ **Motion to destroy the ballots - Bob Davis**

Cal Booth made a motion to destroy the ballots and Melissa seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

■ **Special Education Advisory Council Invitation –Amy Tripp, Tina Lyder, Liz Thoresen**

■ **Motion to adjourn the meeting - Bob Davis**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sally Reed and seconded by Patti Quinn. There was no discussion, and the motion passed unanimously.