

World Learner School



World Learner School Board Meeting Minutes November 25, 2019

** Student Presentation – YES! (Youth Eco Solutions) Team. Gigi and Amy presented to the board what the YES! Team has been doing and learning as part of the club. They have been going on field trips, building birdhouses, making seed bombs and doing some water testing. The young ladies were excited to be a part of this team. They are going to be collecting old holiday lights for recycling from the families of WLS in the next month. An email flyer will go out soon. The girls and their families were thanked for coming and participating.

1. Call to Order – 6:14 pm by Eva Maher board chair
2. Mission Statement was read by Eva,
The World Learner School's mission is to create a school that supports an experiential collaborative Montessori learning program that empowers children to unfold their full potential as whole and unique persons in classroom, local and world communities.
3. Roll Call/Quorum Confirmed
Present :Melissa Bullerman, Eva Maher, Emily Strafelda, Tina Lyder, Nathaniel Nordberg, Joel Suiter, Lynn Zorn, Amy Mittlestadt:
Absent-, Michelle Strain
Non-Members Present-Deana Siekmann
4. Community Forum (Procedures are contained on Community Forum Participation Cards, available at the meeting)
No community members present after the student presentation ended.
5. Approval of Agenda and Declaration of Conflicts of Interest
Motion to approve given by Tina, seconded by Amy, no discussion, motion passed
6. Approval of Consent Agenda:
Consent agenda items are considered routine in nature and will be voted upon with a single motion; however, by request from an individual school board member, individual items on the Consent Agenda may be removed from it for independent consideration.
 - A. Minutes of 10.28.19 and 11.19.19
 - B. Fundraising and Donation Records -
 - C. Fundraising Permissions & Grants – Grey's BenchMotion to approve given by Joel and seconded by Amy, no discussion, motion passed
7. Information/Discussion
 - A. ACNW Authorizing Activities
 - a. ACNW Leaders Retreat –11.16.19 – highlights of the day were given by Deana, Nathaniel and Lynn. Board duties, ACNW changes, and our school's positive financial status were all discussed.
 - B. Green School Network Participation - Nathaniel will follow up - but we decided it would not be something we would jump into this year but we did discuss the possibility of joining to get access to their resources. No decision was made.
 - C. Budget Priorities - Discussed options and felt the need for Environmental Education and Math Support are our priorities. Deana will bring costs and options to the board.
 - D. Board Training
 - a. Ecological Literacy
 - i. Summary was discussed 11.19.19
 - ii. The Problem of Sustainability 11.26.19 Discussed ideas of how to make the ideas work in the classrooms. Short term economic benefits vs long term benefits.
 - iii. Sustainability in International Perspective 2.18.20
 - iv. Fragments of Strategy 2.24.20
 - a. Employment and Governance
 - i. MACS 1.25.20 from 8:30 – 2:30 pm (refreshments and lunch included)
Register with Deana by 12.13.19

8. Reports

- A. Director's Report given by Deana
- D. Committee Reports
 - i. Finance Committee review all at working meeting 11-19-19
 - a. Finance Report Oct 2019
 - b. FY20 Budget Update
 - c. FY21 Budget Update

9. Action Items

- A. Financial Report for Oct 2019
 - Motion to approve given by Lynn seconded by Amy, no discussion, motion passed.
- B. Personnel Employment Agreements – Kasja Williamson
 - Motion given to approve by Amy, Tina seconded, no discussion, motion passed
- C. Resolution to Repeal Employment Agreement – Maddy Skoglund
 - Motion to approve given by Joel, seconded by Melissa, no discussion, motion passed.
- D. Policies: 785 Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams
 - This is a new policy. Issues to be aware of when reviewing the policy were discussed.
- E. Policies: Second Reading – 611 Criminal Background Check, 669 Tobacco Free Environment, 759 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior by Student
 - Motion to approve was given by Tina, seconded by Lynn. There was limited discussion on the policies with no changes made. Motion passed.

10. Scheduling

- A. WLS Board Meeting January 6, 2020 at 6 p m
- B. Board Training with MACS January 25, 2020 from 8:30 am – 2 pm

11. Call to Adjourn – at 7:30 pm, all agreed.

Board Terms

- (T) Melissa Bullerman: July 2018 – June 2020
- (T) Chair Eva Maher: July 2018 – June 2020
- (T) Emily Strafelda: July 2019 – June 2021
- (T) Tina Lyder: July 2019 – June 2021
- (T) Nathaniel Nordberg: July 2019 – June 2021
- (P) Michelle Strain: July 2018 – June 2020
- (P) Treasurer Joel Suiter: July 2019 – June 2021
- (P) Secretary Lynn Zorn: July 2019 – June 2021
- (CM) Amy Mittlestadt: July 2018 – June 2020

Notes taken and submitted by Lynn Zorn