

## **Minutes Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School Governance Board Meeting**

February 8, 2023 4:30-6:00

MG21 School Building Room Room 25, 5301 Monona Drive, Monona, WI 53716

Present at the meeting: Rebecca Fox-Blair, Ryan Claringbole, Sue Carr, Tom Stolper, Toni Gadke, Elizabeth Wheeler, Raiden Edseth-Griffin, Danny Howes, Sandy Homburg (on zoom)

A. **Call to order** - the meeting was called to order at 4:31 PM.

B. **Declaration of public notice**

C. **Approval of January 11, 2023 minutes.**

- a. Sue Carr moved approval, Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

D. **Correspondence and announcements**

E. **Reports:**

- a. Executive director report: Rebecca Fox-Blair gave the executive director report. Of particular interest was the following item:
  - i. The restorative justice funding/grant will sunset this June. We will need to think about how to replace it.
- b. Financial reports: Sue Carr presented the grant and non-grant budget reports.
  - i. Ryan Claringbole moved for approval of both budget reports, Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded.
  - ii. Notable expenditures include the purchase of new chairs in anticipation of growing the middle campus.
  - iii. Future furniture replacement will need to go on a schedule.
  - iv. Motion to approve the grant and non-grant budget report passed unanimously.
- c. Parent forum report: Elizabeth Wheeler reported that the parent forum continues to be active and monthly meetings have had a regular turnout. Upcoming topics include the district staff presenting about the upcoming referendum, RJ staff presenting about RJ, and food service staff presenting about food service. There is an event on February 18th- a chili cook-off and book swap.
- d. Student voice committee - Danny Howes presented a proposal from the student voice committee to offer more consistent Spanish language courses at MG21.
  - i. Raiden Edseth-Griffin moved to accept the proposal for a foreign language teacher at MG21 and take it into consideration in discussing staffing moving forward.
  - ii. Sandy Homburg seconded.
  - iii. Motion passed unanimously.

F. **Business**

- a. Presentation - April district referendum - Katy Byers Kaiser and Mark Powell presented on the referendum that will be on the April ballot.
- b. Update: MG21 working group and stakeholder visioning survey. Currently collecting survey responses. Rebecca encouraged everyone to take the survey.
- c. Action - setting enrollment for middle/upper campus for next year:

- i. Rebecca Fox-Blair: Middle campus teachers recommend maxing out at 40, upper campus recommendation is to stay at 50.
- ii. Ryan Claringbole moved to approve setting the middle campus enrollment cap to 40 and the upper campus to 50. Toni Gadke seconded.
- iii. Discussion and questions from board members.
- iv. Motion passed unanimously.

**G. Closed session:**

- a. Ryan Claringbole moved to convene in closed session under:
  - i. Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (f) and (g) and Wis. Stat 118.125, to confer with legal counsel regarding a student complaint of harassment which if discussed in open session would have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of the individuals discussed and would result in disclosure of confidential student information.
  - ii. Wis. Stat. 19.85 (1) (c) for consideration of an update of teacher performance evaluations and recommendations and staff resignations and hiring.
- b. Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded.
- c. Roll call vote to enter into closed session:
  - i. Ryan Claringbole: yea
  - ii. Sue Carr: yea
  - iii. Tom Stolper: yea
  - iv. Toni Gadke: yea
  - v. Elizabeth Wheeler: yea
  - vi. Raiden Edseth-Griffin: yea
  - vii. Sandy Homburg: yea
- d. Motion is approved unanimously.
- e. **[Closed session discussion]**
- f. Toni Gadke moved to return to open session; Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**H. Adjournment**

- a. Raiden Edseth-Griffin moves to adjourn; Ryan Claringbole seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.