

Minutes - Monona Grove Liberal Arts Charter School Governance Board Meeting

April 12, 2023 4:30-6:00

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

Board members present: Ryan Claringbole, Sandy Homburg, Toni Gadke, Raiden Edseth-Griffin, Danny Howes, Elizabeth Wheeler, Rebecca Fox-Blair, Shelby Steel

Absent: Tom Stolper, Sue Carr

A. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 4:30PM

B. Declaration of Public Notice

C. Approval of [March 8, 2023 Minutes](#)

- CORRECTION: Title should be “Minutes” not “Agenda”
- Ryan Claringbole moved to approve the March 8, 2023 minutes as corrected.
- Sandy Homburg seconded
- Motion passed unanimously.

D. Correspondence and Announcements

E. Reports

1. [Executive Director Report](#)- review and questions-Rebecca Fox-Blair. Of note:
 - a. The Trip to ReMember was awesome. Students were engaged and worked hard despite at times difficult weather.
 - b. Rebecca will be going to Innovative Schools conference on 4/22. All board members are also invited. Elizabeth expressed interest and may also go.
 - c. Rebecca will follow up with Toni on continued all-school trainings/discussion on neurodiversity. Elizabeth will also follow up with Toni on the same for the Parent Teacher Forum.
2. Review and Approval of March Financial Reports: Regular Budget, Grant Budget, Sue Carr
 - Raiden Edseth-Griffin moved to approve the financial reports for the regular budget and the grant budget.
 - Ryan Claringbole seconded.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
3. Parent Forum Report-Elizabeth Wheeler
 - a. Parents are organizing for teacher appreciation week. Great to see leadership & engagement. Attendance and participation at the meetings continue to be good.
4. Student Voice Committee Report-Danny Howes
 - a. Student Voice had an ethics symposium with a representative from the Rotary Club in January. They plan to repeat on a school-wide basis this month.

F. Business

1. UPDATE: Parking Lot Planting Plan-Board member? Presentation to City May 8.
 - a. Rebecca asked for board volunteers to assist with this. Sandy offered to reach out to some of her contacts who may be qualified to advise on a planting plan.
2. ACTION: Amendment of [MG21 Admissions policy](#). Proposal to amend policy to remove the dates for the regular admissions period.
 - a. Ryan Claringbole moved to amend the admissions policy as proposed.
 - b. Sandy Homburg seconded.
 - c. Motion passed unanimously.
3. ACTION: Approval of [Field Trip Policy](#). Policy has been revised, updated to include explicit language about no sexual or physical contact on field trips. Suggestion to also add a new statement that any violation of the policy may result in disciplinary action in accordance with District policy.

- a. Sandy Homburg moved to approve the field trip policy as proposed, amended in accordance with our discussion.
 - b. Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded.
 - c. Motion passed unanimously.
4. UPDATE AND ACTION Enrollment
- a. UPDATE [Enrollment 2023-24 Current Applications/Returning](#)
 - b. ACTION: Raise Middle Campus Enrollment Max to 45
 - i. Ryan Claringbole moved approval of the middle campus enrollment cap at 45 students.
 - ii. Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded.
 - iii. Motion passed unanimously.
 - c. ACTION Set Middle Campus Enrollment Limits by grade for 2023-24:
 - 1. 6th grade-18
 - 2. 7th grade-18
 - 3. 8th grade-18
 - ii. Sandy Homburg moved approval of the middle campus enrollment limits by grade at 18 students per grade.
 - iii. Ryan Claringbole seconded.
 - iv. Motion passed unanimously.
5. UPDATE: MC Paraprofessional Staff Resignation
6. UPDATE Staffing for 2023-24 ([Current Staffing 2022-23](#))
- a. MC Staffing: Approval to add an additional 1.0- FTE
 - i. Hiring Team
 - 1. Elizabeth and Sandy volunteered to join the hiring committee.
 - ii. Timeline: Finalize Job Description and post position 4/17
 - iii. Interviews Week of May 8
 - b. Building Sub
 - c. UC Hiring Update
7. DISCUSSION: MG21 Summer Program Proposal-Alex Mentele
- a. Alex presented a proposal for a summer program for MG21 students that would run concurrently with district summer school. The board expressed support for the proposal. No action was taken, but the school will be moving forward to fund the proposal to run the program this summer.
8. DISCUSSION: of MG21 Board members up for rotation or renewal [Board Roster](#) [Board Profile](#)
- a. No one rotating off - Toni's term is up but agreed to serve for another term.
 - b. Raiden is leaving to attend college; we will need to find another alum to serve in his role.
 - c. Ideally we will identify another alum to serve and we would vote them onto the board in May. This could also be done in August.

G. Adjournment -

- 1. Sandy Homburg moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM
- 2. Raiden Edseth-Griffin seconded.
- 3. The motion passed unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 5:40PM

Governance Board Goals for 2022-23

- 1. Determine future desired leadership structure.0
- 2. Clarify school funding.
- 3. Promote the school.
- 4. Begin charter renewal process

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