

MFA Minutes

2/12/08

7667 10th Street North

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1. Call to order 6:09 pm
2. Kim read vision and mission
3. Roll call: Kim Wood, Don Emery, Dick Bend, Claire Emery
4. Misc. Attendees: Jim Tangen-Foster, Laurel Tangen-Foster, Janne Eliassen
5. Approval of 2/12/08 agenda: Don motions, Claire seconds
6. Approval of 2/1/08 minutes: Dick motions, Don seconds
7. Treasurer's Report: Don
 - Bills paid, balance reported (\$50,682.00)
 - Future Treasurer's Report: Consent Agenda for Payables

OLD BUSINESS

8. Board membership and selection process
 - BOD Recruitment Plan was presented
 - Claire will update with suggestions, send to BOD for review, and to John to be posted on website
9. By Laws revision
 - Dick will have them prepared by the next board meeting
10. Facilities Update
 - Dick and Laurel reported on meeting with B. Engstrom
 - o Engstrom is moving forward with building regardless of MFA's future plans, therefore the focus is on a healthful environment not sophisticated green features

NEW BUSINESS

11. Budget Revision Review
 - Laurel presented updated budget based on 60 students
 - Budget questions:
 - o Medical and dental-high?
 - o Disability is expensive-is it something that should be added later? Should teachers be given the option to buy?
 - o Pros/cons of pulling from federal start up money?
 - o Curriculum development money (\$50,000)-what is included in that title?
 - o Can you purchase a van with federal money?
 - Suggestion to discuss budget revision dependent on employment needs/collaborative model/school leadership at a separate time with Traci
12. Planning Period Checkpoint Standard review
 - BOD reviewed checklist-determined completed
 - Don will check on public notice board at UPS Store (mailing address)/Laurel will check on public notice board at Stafford Library/Central Park

13. Hiring of charter school financial consultant
Don will continue to work on RFP and ask Traci for proposal for next 6 weeks of potential work
14. Upcoming trainings (MACS/MDE)
Health and Nutrition-February 19th-Kim will attend
IT-March 6th, Don, John, and Jim will attend
Newbies Title Training-March 3rd-Laurel will attend
Academic Standards-April 11th-Laurel will attend
UFARS-April 16th-business manager will attend?
15. Committee Reports
 - a. Curriculum:
Minutes from 2/9/08 meeting shared
 - b. Marketing:
Jim shared brochure
Dick presented logo ideas and will look into "MFA Conservation Bound"
 - c. Personnel:
Kim attended personnel training-spouses on BOD
 - d. Finance:
Laurel reported on 2/11/08 training
16. MFA MACS membership and liability insurance
Laurel is working on application that will tell us what our liability insurance
17. EdVisions Training
Will be postponed until the need for specific training arises
18. Next meeting date and place
Tuesday, February 26th 6 pm (tentative)
19. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 pm-Don moves, Claire seconds
20. Meeting reconvened at 9:40 pm-Dick moves to approve Start-Up Coordinators
1/11-2/1 Statement. Don seconds.
21. Meeting adjourned 9:41pm