

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
 - 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:
 - Medical and dental-high?
 - Disability is expensive-is it something that should be added later? Should teachers be given the option to buy?
 - Pros/cons of pulling from federal start up money?
 - Curriculum development money (\$50,000)-what is included in that title?
 - 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