

DRAFT OSCS Board Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2015

Members Present: David Thompson, Sue Woltanski, Joe Thompson, Kim Carter, Bridget Dangel, Ariel Pohlek

Principal: Jennifer Flores

Guests: Sabrina Wampler, Agnes Lichtner, Whitney Maceachern, Kristen Giordano

5:09 Dave called meeting called to order.

Sabrina Wampler brought to the board's attention the fact that any person using a wheelchair encounters an arduous situation for the person driving them, the staff assisting them, and for themselves, each time they visit OSCS due to the lack of an easy access entry to the school for wheelchairs. The board went outdoors to discuss and inspect the current access area for wheelchairs in the back of the school. After various suggestions were considered, Sue motioned that the board direct Jen to send a letter to the landlord stating that OSCS has had complaints regarding lack of proper access for wheelchairs and that we need to either reclaim the parking area surrounding the existing handicap parking spot in the back or reconfigure the building's front access to allow for proper and legal wheelchair entry. Joe seconded. Motion passed. The board directed Jen to write the letter. The issue of flooding in front of building was brought up and it was suggested that the landlord should assist in this problem as well. Sue motioned to direct Jen to make the landlord aware of the flooding issue and that the landlord resolve the problem or at least assist in the resolution. Ari seconded. Motion passed. Jen agreed to include this in her communication regarding the handicap parking and wheelchair access with the landlord.

Consent Agenda:

Sue motioned to approve minutes from August 31 meeting, but to table the approval of the August financials until the October 19 board meeting. Bridget seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Action Items:

- A.) Jenn updated us on the progress with the purchase of busses. She said that she was just notified that a bus had arrived for OSCS and that once its VIN is verified and the final inspections are complete she can and will move on with financing. She told the board that if all goes according to plan, we will have the first 14-passenger bus on campus by September 28.
- B.) Bylaws were tabled until the October 19 board meeting.
- C.) Jenn provided spreadsheet hand-outs on playground surfacing options and went over her latest findings. Discussion ensued and questions arose regarding options. Sue motioned to have Jenn proceed with her recommendations for Chattahoochee rock for playground covering. Ari seconded the motion. Motion passed.

- D.) Jen informed us that the date is now confirmed for Curtis, our Board Training Specialist, to come and conduct the session during our next regularly scheduled board meeting at 5:00 pm on October 19. She added that those board members who missed the government training will be taking that online (Bridget and Kim). An email will be sent to Bridget and Kim regarding the government training.
- E.) Various discussions ensued regarding fundraising. Jenn announced plans for a November fundraiser at the Florida Keys Brewing Company, located on Morada Way in Islamorada. The date is yet to be announced, but the event will involve selling growlers of beer to benefit OSCS.
- F.) Jenn's self evaluation was tabled until the October board meeting.
- G.) OSCS's 501C3 status has been revoked by the IRS. Jenn informed the board that she had a brief conversation with the IRS prior to handing the situation over to our accountant. Jenn believes the status was wrongly revoked and will keep us updated.
- H.) Jenn informed the board that the Tavernier Elk Lodge has granted \$2,500.00 (two thousand five hundred) dollars to OSCS this year, an increase over the grant they awarded us last year. Jenn will frame one of the photography class photographs as a thank-you to the Tavernier Elk Lodge. She added that the grant funds from the Elks are already earmarked for specific activities.
- I.) Jenn asked for help with the SIP (School Improvement Plan) in the form of a SIP Committee. She added that the SIP is due in December and asked for board members who might be interested in helping to please let her know.
- J.) Sue mentioned that we can now change the November board meeting time to 5:00 pm. The board agreed that this new time is preferable to the previously scheduled time of 4:00 pm. Therefore the November board meeting is now scheduled to be held on November 16 at 5:00 pm. Please update your calendars accordingly.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Kim Carter