



Governance Council Meeting

October 12th, 2020

Virtual Meeting 6:00 pm

I. Call to order at 6:05pm

- a. Affirmation of open session
- b. Acknowledgement of voting teachers – Brett Long & Sheena Schroeder
- c. Present: Lindsay Machkovich, Chris Boede, Stephanie Tavs, Katie Feldner, Diane Johnson, Kelly Esla, Kim Downs, Amber Willoughby, Brett Long, Sheena Schroeder, Tanya Sanderfoot
Absent: Kim Scanlon

II. Review & approval of minutes from September 14th, 2020

Motion to approve by Stephanie; second by Kelly; motion approved unanimously

III. Community Input-none

IV. Treasurer's Report: <https://goo.gl/KprDb4>

- a. Motion made by Lindsay to grant Stephanie and Dee Schmidtke (Journey Administrative Secretary) access to the checking account; second by Katie; motion unanimously approved.
- b. Stephanie is working to format Treasurer's report into a spreadsheet.
- c. Amber has submitted the receipt for the memorial purchased for the Spaulding family for reimbursement.
- d. A donation was made from the family of Joel Johnson to be used toward STEM in the Journey school. Teachers will discuss options for utilizing this donation.

V. Old Business & Discussion Items

- a. Updating of by-laws – Kim S. and Tanya have worked out wording for updates to the by-law regarding staff not holding officer positions and council's role in regards to staffing/ hiring. Kim was absent, so by law updates will be submitted at the November meeting for approval.
- b. 2019-20 Parent Survey letter submitted by Jackie Adams. Motion by Lindsay to approve as is; second by Diane; Motion unanimously approved.
- c. Governance board members all attended a virtual training course on WRCCS pertaining to Routine Operations of Governance Boards.
- d. No PBL training has been scheduled for Aria Palmer; awaiting an update from Chrissy Damm if these courses will be offered in a webinar format. Amber and Carrie Phillips attended a Virtual PBL Webinar by Dr. Laurie Elliott. This may be something Aria could also attend.
- e. PTO is paying for new school t-shirts for Kindergarteners. Amber and Carrie Phillips have collected numbers and sizes for their classrooms. Aria, Megan Lee, Katie Feldner and Diane Johnson will have t-shirts ordered and paid for by Journey Charter School. Teachers are considering ordering all faculty new shirts that are a generic color.



VI. Administrator's Update

- a. New long-term substitute positions were added to accommodate the workload of virtual students.
- b. Additional teacher workdays (1 per month October 15th, November 6th and December 4th) were added for planning.

VII. Teacher's Report

- a. Grant updates
 - a. Scoopin' the Loop (And More) - \$545 will be used to purchase succulants and flower pots. Students will paint the flower pots and they will be distributed to our retirement home community partners.
 - b. Math Grant – Amber will assess how much remains in this fund and teachers will decide how to spend the remaining amount.
 - c. AFGRE Grant – Sheena will look into the status of this grant.
- b. Governance Support of Teachers – no requests
- c. Multi-Age has begun with teaching the CARES core values to students. Virtual meetings were used to bring classrooms together. The Multi-Age year focus of Health and Wellness will kick-off on October 21st and 22nd. Hoping to have students and teachers participate in some sort of Fun Run and tie-dying project.

VIII. New Business/Discussion Items

- a. Lindsay proposed a new structure for board meetings. Task teams will have break out sessions to brainstorm and plan ideas. These teams will then report back at each council meeting and provide items for suggestion, approval or action. These teams are NOT committees. They cannot make any financial decisions or take action without first presenting reports to the board. Teams should plan to meet once before the November council meeting.
- b. See attachment for breakdown of teams, team leaders and teacher members.
- c. Teachers will discuss putting together a letter to the school board with and overview of how Journey Charter school maintains its mission and values in the midst of the pandemic.
- d. Governance Council members should attend WRCCS Buzz course – Governance Board: Strategic Planning before the next council meeting.

VIII. Adjourn @ 7:35pm

Next meeting: Monday, November 16th @ 6:00 pm



2020/2021 Dates:

Father/Daughter dance: 2/6/21

Mother/Son lasertag: 5/1/21

Journey Charter School Mission: Journey Charter School, serving students in grades KG-02, lays the educational foundation through project-based learning. Journey Charter School provides students with the opportunity to investigate real-world questions through active learning and peer collaboration. Through multi-age experiences and a host of community partnerships, Journey Charter School strengthens the whole child in fostering inquiry and critical thinking skills while guiding students to emerge as leaders, lifelong learners, and problem solvers.

Journey Charter School Vision: Empower students to problem solve, collaborate, and flourish beyond the classroom.