

Governance Council Annual Meeting October 8, 2018, BPES & Journey Media Center 6:00 pm

Members present: Shelly Kastenschmidt, Lindsay Machkovich, Carrie Naparalla, Lisa Rollin, Tanya Sanderfoot, Kim Scanlon

- I. Call to order at 6:05pm
 - a. Read aloud the Journey Charter School Vision
- II. Review & approval of minutes from September, 2018 (submitted in advance) Minutes approved as submitted
- III. Community Input- None
- IV. Treasurer's Report- https://goo.gl/KprDb4 No concerns
- V. Old Business & Discussion Items- None
- VI. Administrator's and Teacher's Reports
 - a. New enrollments- There is a new enrollee to 2nd grade. There are currently two students on the 2nd grade wait list. To keep numbers similar across schools, Tanya will contact the parents of the two students on the wait list to see if they are interested in moving to Journey.
 - b. Tanya Sanderfoot spoke about the upcoming screening of Paper Tigers, which is free to the viewers. There will also be an opportunity for a 2nd showing at local churches during an upcoming weekend with childcare available.
 - c. Carrie Naparalla provided the teacher's report. The parent letter is drafted and Carrie will plan on sharing the letter with Tanya Sanderfoot, Lisa Rollin and Shelly Kastenschmidt, before sending out. The goal is to have the letter sent home in mid-October. Carrie is also in communication with Ripon College to partner up with Willmore Center again, with the possibility of a theatre combination. The district budget does not offer much for transportation costs, whereas, the council might have to help out with the costs. Carrie will know by next month. Carrie also recently submitted a grant for an upcoming performance field trip, "Nugget and Fang" and Bill Kehl is planning on coming to visit in the end of October.

VII. New Business

d. Mindfulness- Tanya Sanderfoot gave an update from her recent presentation to the School Board about bringing Mindfulness into the classrooms. A couple of the school board members were against the movement, however, there was a lot of positive feedback from social media and parents. Mindfulness allows children to "be in the moment" and to being able to

recognize emotions in the body and making decisions on how to react. The intention is to start with second grade and then move to first grade with two 30 minute sessions a week. There were concerns of having not enough time to fit these sessions in with the current schedule in classrooms, however, the time could be minimized if needed. Barlow Elementary is in the very beginning grant writing process for the Mindfulness program. Curriculum pieces that were presented to the school board are available to view in the Barlow office. Information is also available online.

VIV. Adjourn meeting at 6:40pm

Next meeting: Monday, November 12th at 6:00 pm

Journey Charter School Mission:

Empower students to problem solve and flourish in a global society

Journey Charter School Vision:

Journey Charter School will provide a project-based learning environment that considers the whole child in fostering inquiry and critical thinking skills, and guide our students to flourish as leaders, life-long learners, and problem solvers.