



Governance Council Meeting

April 12, 2021

Virtual Meeting 6:00 pm

I. Call to order at 6:01pm

- a. Affirmation of open session
- b. Acknowledgement of voting teachers – Brett Long, Amber Willoughby
- c. Present: Kim Downs, Kelly Esala, Katie Feldner, Tammy Fox, Diane Johnson, Lindsay Machkovich, Tanya Sanderfoot, Kim Scanlon, Jill Puhlmann-Becker
Absent: Andy Lyke (School Board Representative), Stephanie Tavs

II. Review & approval of minutes from March 8, 2021 council meeting.

Motion to approve by Lindsay; second by Katie; motion approved unanimously

III. Community Input-none

IV. Executive Team Report

a. Review of the Title I application- Jill Puhlmann-Becker provided a summary of the Title 1 Schoolwide Planning session.

b. President Report- Lindsay reported that she met with Pam, Stephanie and other Ripon school board presidents to make a combined handbook for all Charter schools. There will be an all Charter school training in July.

c. President/Vice President position- The board had discussion on any recommendations for new members- the board will need three new members with three rolling out. The group discussed if the term needs to be a firm 3 years. Lindsay will draft up a message to send out to parents to get applicants for the board. The board should look into getting applicants who are diverse, with different skills, bilingual, which could provide different perspectives.

c. Treasurer's Report –

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18FdAuTY49RUxsyUQmtbqQJEQEiQMkADvSbo-zgf5MaY/edit?usp=sharing>

Motion to approve by Lindsay; second by Kim Scanlon; motion approved unanimously.

d. Administrator's Report- Tanya has received approval to hire another Kindergarten teacher for the school. She went over the incoming numbers (need to boost #'s for Kindergarten). There will be a request to the school board for a 2nd grade hiring (internal interest for Kindergarten teacher). Will need to encourage open enrollment by the end of April. Lindsay will post an open enrollment message on Facebook.

V. Academic Excellence Team- Katie Feldner provided an update on behalf of the Academic Excellence Team.



a. Math Mania! Math Grant: has been awarded (\$265) and ready to use. The group decided on going to the local game store to purchase game boards in the classroom. **Motion to approve by Katie; second by Kim Scanlon; motion approved unanimously.**

b. Nancy Tarshis Professional Development: Executive Functioning- \$1K for training- focuses on mental thinking skills and self control. **Motion to approve by Katie; second by Diane; motion approved unanimously.**

c. Technology Additions Proposal:

i. Laptops Upgrade: The teachers will be getting new smart panels in the spring/summer and new laptops. Will need to prepare for any Apple expenses. The Journey (inkjet) printer is not supported by district- will need to make sure the new technology is compatible and the teachers will decide if it's still needed. Tanya will confirm with Travis to see if it's compatible. Discussion on what to do with the old devices--- informational item.

ii. Ipads: Motion to approve to purchase 8 I pads with 2 year warranty with protective cases- \$3K by Katie; second by Lindsay; motion approved unanimously. District can order and will set up and Journey can pay back.

iii. Smart TV's: The staff would like more information to be more prepared. This can happen in the future.

d. Teacher Summer Retreat

i. Annual Teacher Planning Request: The teacher's filled out survey on COVID comfort. Progress monitoring for PBL with proposal in for lodging, food and stipends with a team building activity for \$3100. **Motion to approve by Katie; second by Kelly; motion approved unanimously.** Sheena will need to be reimbursed. Lindsay will check with Stephanie on having a name to be put on the Journey CC.

e. The next Academic Excellence Team meeting will be on Friday, April 16th, with the sustainability team meeting as well.

f. Teacher's Report- Reviewed upcoming Journey event dates- discussion on whether or not the pizza making date is during wrestling weekend or during March Madness- date TBD- needs to be cold enough for refrigeration outside. There are no restrictions on other events- they can go on the calendar.

VI. Sustainability and Resource Development Team Report- Diane reported on the fiscal planning with the wish list for the project closet. The teacher's turned in a budget request last week to the district. The supply closet needs rejuvenation- the project was relocated to the book room.

VII. Community Relations Team Report- Kelly reported on the results of the Cause of the Mondays at Vines and Rushes. The event went well and she thanked everyone who helped out for the event. Total raised \$334.00. Kelly created a tri-fold poster about Journey for the event- this could be a good resource for future



events (children's fair, etc).The brochure updates are starting for next year- more updates at the May meeting.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 7:36 pm

Next meeting: Monday, May 10, 2021 @ 6:00 pm

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.

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