



Governance Council Annual Meeting
September 10, 2018, BPES & Journey Media Center
6:00 pm

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

- I. Call to order at 6:05pm
 - a. Affirmation of open session- Council wanted to make sure that we are sending the upcoming meeting information (including agenda/past minutes) to all Ripon school secretaries and to Andy Lyke (School Board Rep), and the approved minutes to be sent in to get posted online.
- II. Review & approval of minutes from August, 2018 (submitted in advance)
Minutes Approved with corrected changes to the waiting list.
- III. Community Input- None
- IV. Treasurer's Report- <https://goo.gl/KprDb4>
 - a. Treasure's report includes reimbursements from cancelled open house, and lunch for teacher's conference. The paper products and condiments were able to be kept from cancelled open house. The veggies, watermelon and custard are being used up by distributing during beginning of school year.
- V. Old Business & Discussion Items
 - a. Cancellation of Back to School Picnic- No complaints but the teacher's did hear of compliments about combining the picnic/open house. Will need to think about creating electronic rsvp's for next year- might have better response this way. Discussion was had about having a rain date available and if the rain date does get used- the food could be left out for families to have while they drop off the supplies.
- VII. Administrator's and Teacher's Reports
 - a. Waiting list numbers
 - b. Everyone was admitted in 2nd grade. 5 are on the waiting lists for 1st grade and 8 are on the waiting list for Kindergarten. There are a total of 138 children in Journey.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Welcome Letter to parents- Carrie will draft letter and will share with Shelly to send home with students by the end of September. The letter will also include the survey results and the parent handout (Beth Westemeier created).
 - Some main points to be included with this year's letter will include:
 - i. The lack of aid support and the need for parent volunteers.

- ii. Discuss the struggle of differentiating students with different academic levels (Gifted/Excelled students are assessed after 2nd grade)
- iii. Consistency of homework- it has been sporadic.
- iv. Idea of a parent task force starting through Journey (parents could come in the evening to help with what teacher's currently need).

VIV. Adjourn meeting at 6:34pm

Next meeting: Monday, October 8th 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.