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Board of Trustees Meeting \* 09/16/2021 \* 5:15 PM

Location: Venture Academy Auditorium

Minutes - APPROVED

- I. Call To Order: Sharmilla
  - A. In person was Mark, Kevin, Sharmilla, Chris, Randy, Steve, Andrea, Natalie, Michelle and Roxanne
- II. Welcome: Chris
- III. Approval of minutes
  - A. **Action:** Michelle moved to approve the minutes from August 19, 2021, Andrea seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- IV. Public Comment - Jackie Westbrook, K8 Parent Crew President
  - A. In lieu of a fabulous first friday Jackie would like to see if Parent Crew can sponsor an opportunity for students to pay one dollar to not wear uniform and wear the “adventure gear” clothing. Parent crew and teachers would split the proceeds. They would also like to do it every Friday instead of just the first Friday of the month.
- V. Monthly Enrollment Lottery - Completed
- VI. Mission Statement & Vision/Training
  - A. Open Meetings Act
    - 1. Sharmilla went over the Open & Public Meeting training module.
    - 2. Mark explained the update regarding the minutes that includes supporting data being posted to the website as well.
- VII. Operations
  - A. Budget Review
    - 1. Steve went over the budget report. As of the end of August, we are on track. The spending is showing higher because of the floor project at the K8 as well as the cabinets that have been added in the K8 and high school science room.
    - 2. Enrollment is a little bit less than projected and we will see where we are October 1st.
- VIII. Reports
  - A. Director’s Report
    - 1. Mark talked about COVID relief funding and the restricted spending. We are struggling to spend what was given to us because

of the stipulations. Administration has decided to waive the third round of funding.

2. We currently have 6 active COVID cases K-12, that includes staff. If we reach 30 we have to do a test to stay. Families for the most part have been good with keeping sick students home.
3. We will continue to go forward with planned activities and fieldwork unless we have a spike in our cases then we will re-strategize.

B. K-8 Report

1. Kevin stated they have been participating in fieldwork and the parents and students have been enjoying it so far.
2. Opening camp was modified but they all enjoyed the activities. They did miss out on the crew time that they normally get with a normal opening camp.
3. Dibels testing started last week and it is going well.

IX. Business - None.

X. Policy: Action: Proposed update to K8 Dress Code Policy

- A. Kevin wanted some input regarding hair, makeup and accessories. They would like to keep it more natural in appearance and less like face paintings.
- B. Mark and Kevin will schedule time to rewrite it and then bring it back to the October meeting.
- C. Admin should have the longitude to respond to certain situations that may not be in the policy that can then be reviewed by the board.

XI. Public Comment - None

XII. Executive Session - None needed

XIII. Adjourn

- A. **Action:** Michelle moved to adjourn the meeting, Andrea seconded, and it passed unanimously

XIV. Next Meeting: Thursday, October 21, 2021

*The Mission of Venture Academy is to **Inspire** the rising generation to reach the heights of their potential. **Ignite** their curiosity to venture into challenging new learning experiences, and through service, **Empower** them to be leaders who are committed to family and community...then they can **Achieve** their dreams and shape their world.*