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Board of Trustees Meeting \* 06/23/2022 \* 5:15 PM  
Location: Venture Academy Auditorium  
Minutes

- I. Call To Order: Sharmilla
  - A. In person were Mark, Kevin, Sharmilla, Steve, Andrea, Chris, Randy, Michelle and Roxanne. Natalie was absent.
  
- II. Operations
  - A. Annual Fraud Risk Assessment
    - a. Steve went over our assessment. We got points for everything we reported. Having the fraud hotline on our website was recommended and is now required and has been added. Mark signed the assessment so Steve can now send it in.
  - B. Budget Review
    - a. Steve went over the budget and we are still doing well. We were only lacking in the federal funds which are reimbursements.
  - C. Action: Final Amendment FY22 Budget
    - a. Chris moved to approve the final budget, Randy seconded, and it passed unanimously.
  - D. Action: Approve FY23 Budget
    - a. Steve went over the new budget. We did receive two additional grants for the upcoming school year. There are also professional development stipends being given to teachers. Title I funding went down significantly for the upcoming school year.
      - i. Michelle moved to approve the FY23 budget, Andrea seconded, and it passed unanimously.
  
- III. Welcome: Michelle
  
- IV. Approval of Minutes
  - A. **Action:** Michelle moved to approve the special board minutes from June 14, 2022, Andrea seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
  
- V. Monthly Enrollment Lottery - none
  
- VI. Mission Statement & Vision/Training
  
- VII. Public Comment - none
  
- VIII. Reports
  - A. Director's Report

1. Mark talked about how we are operationalizing Venture's vision for both teachers and students. He read the 5 dimensions of student achievement and how it was incorporated into student goals and where you can see them showcased by the students. Showcase examples are through passage, destination honors, celebration of learning, middle school Utah book, high quality work being displayed around the high school, etc.
2. Mentioned some of the responses from the parent survey.
3. Talked about graduation in the new venue and how well it went.
4. Mark thanked Kevin for all his hard work he has put into Venture over the last 10 years. He also thanked Chris for being involved in Venture for many years and his service to our community.

B. K-8 Report

1. Kevin talked about the early learning plan and that we hit all of our goals. We also started incorporating math this year and it went well.
2. Kevin said the end of year Intensives in middle school went really well. They already rebooked the Teton Science School for next year.
3. Kevin said construction for the new offices has started.
4. All K-8 teachers are returning, we did hire one additional teacher to replace the teacher who moved into the vice principal position.

IX. Business

- A. Action: Approve Curriculum Materials Review Committee for Sexuality Education. Proposed members: Audra Turner, Ashley Cason, Stacy Swapp, Natalie Allgood and Crysta Povey.
  1. Mark told Ashley the committee needs to meet in the fall and if there are any changes to curriculum it will be brought to the board.
    - a) Michelle moved to approve Curriculum Materials Review Committee for Sexuality Education, Andrea seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- B. Board sponsored luncheon for teachers and staff
  1. K8 proposed date August 16, 2022 noon
  2. VHS proposed date August 17, 2022 noon
- C. Action: Approve Board calendar
  1. Michelle moved to approve the board calendar, Chris seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- D. Action: Board Vice Chair
  1. Sharmilla nominated Michelle Terry to become Vice Chair, Andrea seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously
- E. Prospective board member discussion

1. Sharmilla presented the names of Kevin Wasden and Christel Grange-Hicks as prospective board members and that we needed to go into executive session later to discuss their character and competence.

F. Executive Director review

1. Sharmilla said Mark is a steady leader. He has students, parents and excellence in his vision all the time.
2. Chris commended Mark for all of his work and working through all the obstacles that have been presented, with teachers leaving, COVID, and maintaining a great financial position for the school.

X. Policy - none

XI. Public Comment - none

XII. Executive Session

A. **Action:** Chris moved at 6:22 PM to move into executive session, Michelle seconded, and it passed unanimously. No action was taken.

B. Executive session ended at 6:31 PM

- i. Michelle 1st moved to approve prospective Board Members of Kevin Wasden and Christel Grange-Hicks as discussed in executive session, Andrea seconded, and it passed unanimously.
- ii. Michelle 2nd motion to approve Mark's 2023 SY compensation package at proposed second level as discussed in executive session, Andrea seconded and it passed unanimously.
- iii. Michelle 3rd motion to approve Sharmilla to invite 2 new board members to join the Venture Board of Directors as discussed in executive session, Andrea seconded, and it passed unanimously.
- iv. Chris 4th motion to approve Sharmilla to present Mark with the 2023 compensation package as discussed in executive session, Andrea seconded, and it passed unanimously.

XIII: Adjourn

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

XIV: Next Meeting: August 18, 2022



*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.*