

MEETING OF THE DENVER LANGUAGE SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 31, 2023 from 6:00PM – 9:00PM

DLS Gilpin Campus and Zoom Conference Call

Mission Statement: To achieve academic excellence and intercultural competence through language immersion education

In Attendance:

Board Members Landon Pirijs, Susan Cheng, Veronique Van Gheem, Maxwell Li, Jennifer Wild, Margo Goldman, Lindsey Foss, Ken Zerkel, Rachel Levine, Eugene Joseph

Non-Board Members Richard Royal, Babette Hudson-Tsao, Molly Osadjan-Rudolf, Chante Daily, Erin Westmoreland-King, Lori Deacon

Meeting called to order at 6:06 PM

Public Comment There are no public comments.

Approval of Meeting Minutes Lindsey Foss moves to approve board meeting minutes for 11/29/2022. Landon Pirijs seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

ED Report

Richard Royal

Gives an update on School Choice numbers so far. There are two weeks left in School Choice. Data is not being collected on who has toured the school and when. He also provides an update on the survey responses from the early planning staff survey. He provides an update on staff recruitment and busing.

PTO Update

Molly Osadjan-Rudolf

Gives an update on fundraising goals and the status of current parent volunteer participation. Two teacher vacancies were filled. Recruitment has begun for 23-24. Transition to new Co-Presidents is July 1, 2023. Night Market is slated to happen next school year at the Gilpin Campus.

Governance Update

Landon Pirijs

The update regarding periodic reviews to the Board Member Conflicts of Interest Policy & Procedure is highlighted. Lindsey Foss moves to approve the new version. Ken Zerkel seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

2023/2024 Calendar

Richard Royal

Proposed 2023-2024 calendar introduced to Board. Discussion. Jennifer Wild moves to approve the 2023-2024 school calendar, with caveat that Richard investigates camp options for Jan. 2-5. Susan seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

Roles and Responsibilities

Susan Cheng

Gives update on DEIJB in the various roles (ED, PTO, Board). Current strategic plan expires in 2024. Discussion about a plan for creating a new 5 year strategic plan for 2025. Goal is for it to be a year-long process with input from staff, community. Lindsey Foss provides an update re: SAC.

Finance Update

Lori Deacon

Provides updates on current budget and plans for next year.

Executive Session

Motion to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter (Executive Director evaluation). See § 24-6-402 (3)(a), (b)(I) C.R.S. Landon Pirius moves, Lindsey Foss seconds. All in favor. The Board went into executive session at 8:36 PM. Motion to move out of executive session. Lindsey Foss moves. Jennifer Wild seconds. All in favor. The Board moved out of executive session at 9:35 PM.

Vote

Motion to approve the Executive Director goals with caveat that there be an addition about measurables for May.

Motion to adjourn meeting. Lindsey Foss moves to adjourn. Susan Cheng seconds. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM