



Granite State Arts Academy
Board of Trustees Meeting
Nov. 14th, 2017

Attendance: Amy Sevigny, Don ERdbrink, Kate Russell, Deidre Smith, Leah Rogers, Kelli Twiss, Anthony Polito, Ken Dunne, Alicia Nelson, Robin Calitri

Excused: Judy David

Guest: Chrissy Caron (partial meeting)

Call to order: 6:04pm

Public Comment: None

- Approval of Minutes from 10/10/17- Kelli made a motion to accept minutes, seconded by Alicia and approved by all present - with the exception of 1 abstention as board member Ken Dunne was not present at this meeting

- Chair's Report
 - IB Training- Mr. Polito explained that the faculty met to discuss. Robin, Don and Mr. Polito also met with faculty to discuss. Training for staff should occur during this phase. An IB coordinator should be chosen. Training is approx. \$1100 plus travel. Robin explained that some training is available on line. Kate made a motion to allow Mr. Calitri to assess the availability of July training and if space is limited allow him to book for up to 2 staff members to attend- seconded by Kelli and approved by all. Mr. Polito will present full training budget at the next meeting.

- Investment Options for Employees - table to next meeting as Enterprise bank has options and a guest will attend the next meeting.
- Rob Solomons has resigned from the BoT- thank you Rob for your time and dedication to GSAA
- Mr. Dunne discussed that Judy David and Ken Dunne's terms have expired. Mr. Dunne will continue to track this. Ken will review the bylaws again to potentially update the BoT terms section. Robin made a motion to reelect Ken Dunne and Judy David to the GSAA BoT to June Of 2019- seconded by Leah and approved by all.
- Vote on emergency plan- This plan has been approved by the state of NH. Robin made a motion to implement the emergency plan as previously approved by the NH DOE- seconded by Alicia and approved by all.
- Sponsorship Letter for the Gala- Chrissy presented the sponsorship letter. Each board member should attempt to make face to face contacts with these sponsorship letters.
- Graduation- Planning for graduation should begin now. Mr. Polito suggests that we develop a new traditions- BoT please brainstorm for ideas to discuss at next meeting. Senior class and parents will be surveyed.
- Budget Report - Discussed, no current issues. Current enrollment 132
- HoS Report
 - Academic grades are much improved d/t increased communication
 - Parent/teacher conferences 11/14/17- parent who did not attend will be contacted.
 - Mr. Polito would like to see increased parent involvement overall
 - November 21- next open house
 - For next meeting please read information given about the need for a paraprofessional and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

- Robin made a motion to go into closed session @ 7:37 pm based on RA 91 A:3 (A-J)- seconded by Kate
- Returned to open session: 8:11pm
- New Business-
 - Ken made a motion to seal all previous closed meeting minutes - seconded Kelli and approved by all
 - Next meeting 12/12 @ 6pm
 - Amy has accepted an additional teaching position for next semester on Tuesday evenings - she will be taking a LOA. Alicia will be taking meeting minutes.
- Adjourned: 8:20pm