



Granite State Arts Academy
Board of Trustees Meeting
August 17th, 2021 -- 6pm @ GSAA
Remote Zoom Meeting
Public Invited via Zoom Link

AGENDA

Present- Don Erdbrink, Chrissy Caron, Frank Sharlow, Jeff Trout, Lisa Peterson, MaryJo Conlon, Melinda Henneberry, Jeff Marquis, Tyrrell Arbaugh, Melanie ?, Cynde McInnis

Mark Gross, Tony Polito absent from meeting 8/17

Public Comment- None

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

1 correction, page 3, MJ Conlon, "he will be watching and report as changes occur"

D.E. motion to accept, Chris M (2nd)

Minutes are accepted as amended by unanimous vote

Secretary Nominee – Lisa Peterson

Don Erdbrink made the motion to accept Miss Peterson, Chris Michaud seconded it

Board voted unanimously for Lisa Peterson to take on job of secretary

Treasurers Report / Enrollment and Admissions Committee – Renia Friend

Don Erdbrink shared out the treasurer's report, the school is in strong financial status at this point

Fundraising Committee

Reserve fund- \$7,050 left in account to help out with necessary essentials for GALA , especially for software

C. Michaud asked about the money set aside to help set up GALA, specified for GALA or not- large majority is for the GALA to help with incidental expenses, ie the quality of the baskets, the software

Enrollment Report as 8/17

(117 total)

9th-30

10th- 33

11th- 34

12th- 20 (2 to 3 seniors left)

Some tours have been happening recently as well.

Don Erdbrink thanked Renia for her work.

Chair Report

Should we pay off the interest only loan of \$32,000- question posed by Don Erdbrink, Head of the Board (Line of credit from Enterprise, converted to a loan from a line of credit)? MJC asked would we still have a line of credit if we paid it off, Jeff Marquis said we would still have a line of credit A discussion was had whether to pay off loan in part or in full, decision was made to pay off the loan in the full amount

VOTE for paying off the interest only loan in the amount of \$32,000, MaryJo Conlon made the motion to pay off the loan in full, Chris Michaud seconded it

Vote was unanimous to pay off the interest only loan of \$32,000 from the reserve fund

Staff Updates

Resignations late in the summer- Kathleen Hannabech resigned, Allison Hagg is replacing her; Sheri Callahan resigned, being replaced by Caelin McMahon; Renia Friend resigned, Carol Clark will be replacing her; Deb Richards resigned, Citywide Maintenance and Janitorial Service will be taking over

Lease Aid- FYI a request for lease aid has been submitted, a percentage of the lease payment, up to \$50,000

Policy Report

Dress Code / Bloodborne Pathogens

Policy Committee met in July to work on new policies, board was given them via email before tonight's meeting

Any questions? Jeff Trout pointed out the format needs to be adjusted

Chris Michaud asked about board members being added to “at-risk personnel”, Chrissy Caron said then the members would also need the training as well

Don Erdbrink will verify it with school lawyer about verbiage of the Bloodborne Pathogens Policy and let the board know what advice he gives the school.

VOTE- motion to accept the policy by Don to be amended to staff handbook and the GSAA emergency operations plan, Jeff Trout seconded it

Board unanimously votes to accept it

Dress Code-

Dress code policy will be added to the student handbook and will also be available via the school website.

Motion to accept dress code policy- made by Don, Jeffrey Marquis seconded it
Dress Policy for students unanimously accepted

DOS

Chrissy Caron- school needs new laptops, can get them for \$201 per chrome book, can use ESSER grant monies for them, need at least 100 chromebooks

Jeff Trout checked the college board website and the chromebooks will be compatible with SAT

Motion to buy new chromebooks for students 100 units at \$201.16 per chromebook, \$20, 116 in total, motion made by Lisa Peterson, MaryJo Conlon seconded

Unanimously voted by board

Also, Jeff Trout and Chris Michaud will meet offline to discuss technology for teacher laptops

Chrissy and Frank have been dealing with making the schedule for the year

Facilities Committee Update – Chris Michaud- no update at this time

Teacher Representative – TBD

New Business *

Mark Gross wants to set up a meet and greet at Tuscan Kitchen for potential donors as well as a thank you for the people who came to the GALA

Wrap Up and Adjourn

Adjourned at 7:35, DE made motion to adjourn, Jeff Trout seconded it

* All new business items will be put in the agenda for, and discussed, at the next meeting