



Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Thursday, May 08, 2014 - 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Perpich Center, Gaia Building – Glass Box Conference Room

Approved MINUTES Approved

Following recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board Secretary brought the meeting to order at 3:03p.m. Due to absences of the Board Chair and Board Vice Chair, nominations from the floor were requested to elect a Chair Pro Tem to preside over the meeting. The name of Member Ruch-Hammond was entered into nomination and on a vote of acclamation, the member was selected as Chair Pro Tem for the May 2014 Board of Directors Meeting. Executive Mackert was recognized by the Chair Pro Tem and requested that for the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, the agenda be revised to move Item VII from the current agenda and carry that report forward to the agenda of the next regular meeting scheduled on June 12, 2014. With acknowledgement of that request, the Chair Pro Tem moved to adopt the Agenda with that revision and on a voice vote and all members voting in favor the Agenda is adopted.

Members Attending: T. Adams, B. Amadio, E. Biel, J. Carey, W. Crutcher, S. Mau Larson, M. Ollig, N. Paddleford, C. Paul, A. Plechash, L. Ruch-Hammond

Members Excused: P. Adolphson, S. Daly, P. McNally, M. Weaver West

For Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the Minutes, Board of Directors Meeting, March 13, 2014
- b. Receive Agency Budget and Financial Reports (two), periods ending March 31 and April 30, 2014 – M. Zabel, Administrative Management Director
- c. Receive Committee Report: Budget & Finance April 24, 2014

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was received of Member Carey with a second from Member Mau Larson. The Chair Pro Tem called for a vote by voice; with all members voting in favor of approval and no members voting against, the Consent Agenda is approved.

For Action: Approval of:

- 2014 – 2015 Perpich arts integration course development contract awards
- 2014 – 2015 Perpich arts integration contract awards Southeast Region
- 2014 – 2015 Perpich arts integration contract awards Northeast Region

Executive Director Mackert addressed the board on requests for the Perpich arts integration project. Each request was reviewed and voted recommendation for approval by the Budget & Finance Committee at their meeting on April 24, 2014. Following remarks of the Executive Director, the Chair Pro Tem received a motion to approve the contract awards from Member Mau Larson and a second from Member Carey. The Chair requested a voice vote of the members, and the motion passed with no dissent.

For Action: Approval of 2014 – 2015 Perpich Regional Partners grants. Executive Director Mackert addressed the board funding requests for Perpich regional partners: Albert Lea, Duluth, Elk River, and Westbrook-Walnut Grove. Following remarks of the Executive Director, the Chair Pro Tem received a motion to approve the contract awards from Member Mau Larson and a second from Member Carey. Chair Pro Tem Ruch-Hammond requested a voice vote of the members; with all members voting in favor and no members opposed the motion passes.

For Information: Imaginary Bridges Project – Visual Arts Instructor Pat Benincasa, addressed the members on a project by the Visual Arts students of which several examples were provided for viewing at the meeting.

For Information: Crosswinds Update – Dr. Carlondrea Hines, Principal Crosswinds Arts & Science Middle School, spoke to members of the Board to brief them on recent and upcoming events. Dr. Hines also spoke to members about the coming school year and plans for programming.

For Information: Perpich Arts High Update – Antwan Harris, Principal Perpich Arts High School, spoke to members of the Board to brief them on recent and upcoming events. He spoke about the coming school year, admissions and shifts in staffing and programs.

For Information: Executive Director's Report – Executive Director Mackert provided a report on recent agency activities including progress in the current legislative session, work with the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities Turnaround Arts project, budgeting work for the coming fiscal year and, interest in possible lease of space at the Crosswinds campus.

Board Member Announcements - No member of the Board offered an announcement.

Adjournment: With the conclusion of business represented by the agenda, the Chair Pro Tem requested and was offered a motion to adjourn by Member Amadio. The Chair Pro Tem called for a vote by voice and with all members present responding in the affirmative, the meeting is adjourned at 3:58 p.m.