



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, March 12, 2015 - 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
The Minneapolis Foundation, Suite 800 IDS Center
Minneapolis

APPROVED - Minutes - APPROVED

Following recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance, Board Vice Chair Martha West called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Members Attending: T. Adams, J. Carey, B. Crutcher, L. Henning, S. Mau Larson, M. Nabors, M. Ollig, C. Paul, L. Ruch-Hammond, M. Weaver West

Action: Amend the Agenda – The Vice Chair recognized the Executive Director who presented a request on behalf of the agency to add an action for the current Board of Directors meeting agenda that requests approval of the Achievement and Integration Plan for the Crosswinds Arts & Science School, as required by the Minnesota Department of Education. Member Crutcher offered a motion to amend the agenda and a second was provided by Member Mau-Larson. On a voice vote that produced unanimous consent, the agenda was amended to add Agenda Item V. as an actionable item for approval of the Achievement and Integration Plan for the Crosswinds Arts & Science School.

Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of the Minutes, Board of Directors Annual Meeting, January 22, 2015
- b. Receive Agency Budget and Financial Reports, periods ending January 31, 2015 and February 28, 2015 – M. Zabel, Administrative Management Director

The Chair requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda on a vote by voice. Member Paul moved to approve and a second was received of Member Crutcher. With all members present voting in favor and no members voting against, the Consent Agenda is approved.

Information: Education

Max Korn, Director of Impact Strategy for The Minneapolis Foundation, provided forecasting and outlook information regarding educational and demographic trends and needs that are currently effecting and/or are expected to effect the State of Minnesota and the City of Minneapolis in the next biennium and beyond.

Information: Legislative Implications

Executive Director Mackert provided the Board members with an update of current legislative activity on behalf of or involving the agency, including: HF1294 (Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund), a Technology Request and a Request for Restoration and Continuity funds

Action: Request to approve study plan modification

Executive Director Mackert introduced and requested Board approval of a Resolution that establishes a creative writing course curriculum for the current (2014-2015) School Year and recommends consideration of the option to extend this same curriculum modification for one additional year if necessary to provide appropriate care for a student in special circumstances. Members reviewed the proposal, following a small number of questions and brief discussion, the question was moved by Member Henning. On a second received from Member Crutcher, the Vice Chair requested a vote by voice. With all members voting in favor, the Resolution passed and a Creative Writing Course curriculum is created and in effect for SY2014-2015.

Action: Achievement and Integration Plan for the Crosswinds Arts & Science School (SY2014 – 2017)

Executive Director Mackert provided an update on the work by Crosswinds staff and others which has resulted in completion of the Crosswinds Achievement and Integration Plan. Mackert requested approval of the plan by the Board before it's submission as required by the Minnesota Department of Education. Following the presentation of the plan by the Executive Director, the Vice Chair received a motion to approve the plan from Member Mau Larson and a second from member Ruch-Hammond. The Vice Chair called for a vote by voice, with all members voting for passage and no dissenting votes, the Achievement and Integration Plan was approved.

Information: Executive Directors Report

Executive Director Mackert provided an update to the Members regarding miscellaneous agency events and activities.

Adjournment: With the conclusion of business represented by the agenda, the Vice Chair received a motion to adjourn the meeting by Member Crutcher. Noting a second by Member Ruch-Hammond, the Vice Chair called for a voice vote. With all members voting in favor the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:26 p.m.