



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Thursday, June 25, 2020 - 5:00 -- 7:00 p.m.
Perpich Center for Arts Education

Virtual Meeting

Mission: to provide all Minnesota students the opportunity to develop and integrate their artistic and academic abilities to their highest potential.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Approved – MINUTES - Approved

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Julie Workman called the meeting to order at 5:03pm

MEMBERS ATTENDING:

On a Call of the Roll, Members identified present were: L. Brobeck, J. Grams, L. LeCuyer, D. Loritz, M. Nabors, M. Ollig, G. Winter and J. Workman

ACTION:

CONSENT AGENDA - The consent agenda consists of non-controversial items the Board may adopt routinely. Any single member may remove an item from the consent agenda by requesting removal at the time the consent agenda is moved for adoption. Items to be approved by consent:

- a. Approval of the Minutes, Board of Directors Regular Meeting, May 28, 2020
- b. Receive Agency Budget and Financial Report, period ending May 31, 2020 – Thomas Johnston, Finance Director

Approval of the Consent Agenda was moved by Member Ollig and a second was offered by Member Grams. On a Call of the Roll, with each member voting for approval and no votes against, the Consent Agenda was approved.

INFORMATION:

Executive Director's Report – Interim Executive Director Dr. Charles Rick provided highlights of his activities on behalf of the agency since the previous meeting, there were no questions from the members. The full text of Dr. Rick's report was included in the meeting packet provided to the members and made available to the public.

- INFORMATION:** Arts High School Update – Principal Conn McCartan supplied a report of Arts High School activities since the previous meeting of the Board. Items highlighted were efforts teachers, students and staff surrounding the end of the school year and the results of that work to meet the challenges of the pandemic environment. 64 Seniors successfully graduated; new student registration continues with three students remaining to complete course selections. Plans are underway for the return of students in the Fall and managing instructional spaces, formats and dorm spaces while maintaining pandemic protocols and social distancing. McCartan responded to questions from Members Workman and LeCuyer. The text of McCartan’s report was included in the meeting packet provided to the members and made available to the public.
- INFORMATION:** The Chair recognized Dr. Rick who provided the assembly with an announcement of the pending retirement of Dr. Pam Paulson, Senior Director of Policy. Dr. Rick recognized her extensive history of service to the agency and the State and thanked her for her knowledge and efforts on behalf of Arts Education.
- INFORMATION:** Communications Update – Communications Director Betsy Anderson updated members on the availability of videos of the Virtual Graduation held for students, the PDR Summer Conference on Equity in the Arts, the necessity of canceling the summer arts camp and a new project completed with the aid of Twin City Public Television that produced two new promotional videos for use in the coming Fall and Winter. We are in early conversation with Minnesota Public Radio for potential promotional spots and are exploring other options that may be available to effectively promote the agency in the current environment. Anderson responded to a question from Member Workman.
- INFORMATION:** Professional Development & Resources Update – Senior Director of Policy Dr. Pam Paulson provided the members with a brief update on the activities (supplied in full text included in the meeting packet provided to the members and made available to the public) and shared with the members about her motivation and decision to retire from State service at this time. Chair Workman recognized and thanked Paulson for her efforts and abilities on behalf of the State and the agency. Member Loritz recognized Paulson’s contributions from the beginning of the agency’s history and thanked her for her work. Member LeCuyer added her thanks for Paulson’s commitment and dedication over the years. Member Nabors recognized and thanked Paulson for her sacrifices on behalf of the agency.
- INFORMATION:** MDE/MDH Fall Planning Guidance – Dr. Rick and Principal McCartan reported to the Board about the recommendations for three instruction models as supplied jointly by Minnesota Department of Education and Minnesota Department of Health. Plans are underway to accomplish access and delivery for each of the three instruction models to Perpich students. Plans are to be prepared and ready by July 27 per instruction from MDE.

INFORMATION/ACTION: Board approval of committee appointment: Dan Loritz to the Budget and Finance Committee – In accordance with the bylaws Article III Section 3.2(b)(3) Chair Workman requested approval of the Board for the appointment of Dan Loritz to the Budget and Finance Committee. A motion to approve the appointment was supplied by Member LeCuyer and a second offered by Member Nabors. No member presented discussion and the Chair requested a Call of the Roll. With each member voting in favor and no votes against, Member Loritz' appointment was approved.

INFORMATION/ACTION: Approval of the 2020-2021 Student/Parent Handbook – Principal McCartan supplied a description of the changes made to update the handbook for the coming school year. The Chair requested and was supplied a motion to approve by Member Grams and a second was provided by Member Ollig. No member presented discussion and the Chair requested a Call of the Roll. With each member voting in favor and no votes against, the 2020-2021 Student/Parent Handbook was approved.

INFORMATION/ACTION: Approval of the FY2021 Agency Budget – Finance Committee Chair Nabors was recognized by the Chair and reported that the Finance Committee met to review the proposed budget with the agency staff and that the budget offered is balanced as required and has received approval and support of the committee members. The committee recommends approval of the FY2021 Agency Budget by the members of the Board. The Chair was offered a motion to approve by Member Winter and a second was supplied by Member LeCuyer. On a Call of the Roll with each member voting in favor and no votes against, the FY2021 Agency Budget was approved.

INFORMATION/ACTION: Minnesota State High School League Annual Membership Resolution – The Secretary reviewed the agency's annual renewal for membership to the Minnesota State High School League. The Chair was provided a motion to approve by Member Brobeck with a second supplied by Member Ollig. The Chair asked the approximate costs of the membership and Principal McCartan supplied the general fee is \$110 per year plus activity fees at a cost of \$110 for each. There was no further discussion and the Chair requested a Call of the Roll. With each member voting in favor of membership and no votes received against, the motion passed and 2020/2021 School Year membership was approved.

INFORMATION:

Committee Reports:

Human Resources Committee – Committee Chair Brobeck reported that the committee has completed its work on the Self Assessment Survey and encouraged members to complete the survey as soon as possible. She also reported to the members that the committee has identified a grammatic concern in the bylaws that unintentionally indicates the Board survey be performed twice per year rather than every two years. Brobeck and the committee request that the bylaw language be amended to reflect that the Board Self Assessment Survey is to be conducted annually. The Chair recognized Member LeCuyer who offered a motion to consider and a second was provided by Member Nabors. On a Call of the Roll with each member voting in favor and receiving no votes against, the motion consider amending the bylaws to reflect the suggested language change is approved. The suggested amendment will be discussed and acted upon at the next regular meeting of the Board scheduled for August 27, 2020, as required by the bylaws Article IV (Section 6.1)

INFORMATION:

Board Member Discussion:

Travel & Events – The Chair responded to a request for information received from a member about MSBA Training Modules III and IV that will be offered this Fall and will be held virtually, specific dates have not been announced.

Board Member Forum – No member of the Board offered comments

INFORMATION:

Open Forum/Public Comment (limited to 2 minutes each, total of 20 minutes) – No member of the public rose to address the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Having concluded the business of the Board as represented by the agenda the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 6:33p.m.