

MEETING OF THE DENVER LANGUAGE SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 from 6:00PM – 9:00PM

Remote Meeting – Zoom Conference Call

Mission Statement: To achieve academic excellence and intercultural competence through language immersion education

In Attendance:

Board Members Bryan Snow, Corelle Spettigue, Jill Bergeson, Landon Pirius, Susan Cheng, Parker Schenken, Veronique Van Gheem, K. Jehan Benton-Clark, Maxwell Li

Non-Board Members Kathy Benzel Duran, Molly Osadjan Rudolf, Camilla Modesitt, Scott Harpin, David Le

Meeting called to order at 6:05 PM

DLS Student Spotlight Scott, Lydia, and Hannah Harpin
The Harpins shared a video of their family using their Spanish in a professional setting

Public Comment There are no public comments.

PTO Report Molly Osadjan Rudolf
-New Treasurer
-Goal of 30% participation
-Collected over 400 books for the library
-Staff gift fund and giving teachers gifts in December
-Trunk or treat and staff appreciation breakfast were successful

Approval of Meeting Minutes Corelle moves to approve board meeting minutes for 10/12/2021 after updates are made to the date and 10/26/21 meeting. Parker Seconds. All in favor. Motion Carries.

Governance Committee Corelle and Jill
-Legal Counsel prepared the DLS Title IX Policy, which was adopted by the school. Jill moves to approve the Sexual Harassment (Title IX) Policy and Procedure Policy No. 0024 with the understanding that after review of other policies, in particular the Grievance Policy, Title IX will be more integrated into Board policies. Wenjie Seconds. All in favor. Motion Carries.
-Onboarding of 3 new Board members is complete
-Board tour at Whiteman on 12/7 and Gilpin on 1/12

Facilities Committee Parker
-Gilpin field - some stop gap measures were implemented but still have to figure out next steps for the field
-Whiteman - no capital project needs
-Transportation - a bill has not been received but an estimate was received in August and appears to be coming in less than anticipated

Finance Committee Bryan

Bryan walked through the DLS FY22 Monthly Financials 2021110 report - highlights are reserves are above the DPS Benchmark, expecting a balanced budget and pupil count came in at 885.

SAC Committee

Landon

Meeting with Faye tomorrow to determine a possible collaborative effort with DEI Committee

DEI Committee

Susan

At the last meeting, they split into the 3 Focus groups and drafted 1 or 2 goals for each group for the year

Executive Director's Report

Kathy

Kathy walked the Board through her "ED Board Report 11.30.21"

- Enrollment snapshot
- Campus/Operational Updates
- DLS Instructional Initiatives
- Staffing News
- Advancement/Development Updates
- CDPHE and Testing Updates
- Professional Development - Kathy presented at a conference
- Charter renewal update - recommendation will be sent to the Superintendent from the staff this month and the Board will vote in January on the charter renewals

New Business

Bryan

- Committees - discussed board composition and reporting

Motion to adjourn meeting. Bryan moves to adjourn. Corelle seconds.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM