

# School Board Minutes

August 17, 2021

Members Present: N. Donnay, R. Hajlo, D. Keyes, A. Melendres, S. Mueller, C. Brown, K. Denzer

Members Absent: A. Melendres

Board Advisors Present: J. Gutierrez, K. Gutierrez, J. Karetov, A. Kleinboehl, A. Sachariason, P. Rosell

## <u>Call to Order</u>

B. Hajlo called the meeting to order at 6:02

#### Open Forum

There were 15 speakers at the open forum.

#### Consent Agenda - J. Gutierrez

The Consent Agenda includes the board minutes from the July 20, 2021 meeting and the Executive Director Report

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: K. Denzer Second: N. Donnay Approved: All

#### Jason Langfield Seated as Board Member - B. Hajlo

Jason Langfield has completed all of the board training necessary for him to be seated as a voting member of the board.

Motion to seat Jason Langfield on the St. Croix Prep School Board: B. Hajlo Second: S. Mueller Approved: All

#### Faculty Board Member Vacancy and Replacement - N. Donnay

N. Donnay explained that, due to a faculty member resignation, there was a vacancy on the board. There was discussion related to options for filling the vacancy (appointment vs. election), the timing of the options, and how it relates to the vacancy filled last year.

Motion to fill the vacant faculty board member seat via appointment: R. Hajlo Second: C. Brown Approved: All

Financial Statements, Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) and Next Steps – K. Gutierrez St. Croix Prep applied for a PPP loan in the spring of the 2020-2021 school year; this loan was forgiven in early August 2021. The amount of the loan was \$1.4 million. K. Gutierrez explained the impact of this, and other Covid-19 related items, to the operations and strategic initiatives of the school.

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Motion to Adjust FY22 compensation 7% upward for each employee who was employed during the FY21 school year and is employed at the start of the FY22 school year. Daily substitute staff, extra-curricular and co-curricular stipends are not eligible for adjustment. Salaried employee adjustment is based on FY22 base salary, including overload stipends but excluding all other stipends. Increase of 7% to QComp related stipends will be evaluated separately.: Shane Mueller Second: J. Langfield Approved: All

Motion to Allocate \$500,000 from SCPA Fund 1 Fund Balance toward SCPA Stadium Seating and Press Box Project: D. Keyes Second: N. Donnay Approved: All

## <u>2021-2022 Covid-19 Procedures – Distance Learning and Masks – J. Gutierrez</u>

There was discussion of the distance learning option being discussed with a partner school. The discussion included grade options (K-8), enrollment status at St. Croix Prep for the 2022-2023 school year, potential transition times of return to St. Croix Prep, etc. There was discussion of mask/face covering policy.

Motion to recommend masks for the upcoming school year with the Face Covering policy amended as "Effective August 30, the Face Covering policy is reinstated for grades K-12, except that all references to face coverings being "required" will be replaced with 'recommended'; Section V. Temporary Removal of Face Covering, Section VI. C. Supply and Distribution, and Section VII. Enforcement are no longer applicable. K. Denzer Second: N. Donnay Roll Call Vote: In Favor: J. Langfield, N. Donnay, B. Hajlo, D. Keyes, K. Denzer Opposed: S. Mueller, C. Brown

#### <u>Special Board Meeting - B. Hajlo</u>

There was discussion as to when to schedule a before school meeting to reevaluate the Covid-19 situation.

Motion to approve special meeting on Friday, August 27 at 5:00 pm: R. Hajlo Second: K. Denzer

Approved: All

#### <u>Adjourn Meeting</u>

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm: K. Denzer Second: N. Donnay Approved: All

Submitted by J. Gutierrez, St. Croix Preparatory Academy