

**MINUTES - June 29th 2020 - TRCS Board of Directors Meeting  
Regular Monthly Meeting - Virtual meeting over Zoom**

**Mission Statement:** We will support each student's continuing discovery and development of self and community by providing a learning environment that is relevant, active and project oriented. All aspects of the student's experience at Two Rivers Community School will enhance their natural learning power.

**Members Present:** April Flanders, Paul Fox, Laura Fonseca, Charlene Grasinger, Rose Mary Webb

Virtually present: all

**Non-Voting Members Present:** Vicki Krueger, Austin Pack, Natalie Oranski (Director)

**Members Not Present:** Zack Green (leave of absence)

**Guests:** Rachel Witmer, Missy Thomas, Kristine Martin, Tara, Megan Ellis

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Meeting called to order by Rose Mary at 5:32pm
- Quorum established with 5 voting members present at the call to order

**MISSION STATEMENT**

- Reading of the Mission statement by Paul Fox

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve agenda for tonight (Charlene Grasinger seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve minutes from last meeting (Charlene Grasinger seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Conflicts of Interest**

- none brought forward

**ACTION: Paul Fox motions to approve minutes from last meeting (April Flanders seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Committee, Executive and Director Reports:**

Chair Reports - Rose Mary

- Person Rose Mary was talking with as potential Board Member will not be able to participate

#### Vice Chair Reports - Charlene

- Charlene has invited Missy and Rachel as potential interested Board members

#### Secretary Report - Laura

- Discussed ideas for supporting afterschool program on return in the fall
  - Will depend on how we return to school in the fall

#### Treasurer Report - April

- Discussed budget surplus

#### Director's Report

- Small amendment to budget (change of one salary)

**ACTION: Paul Fox motions to approve the amended budget for 2020-2021 school year (April Flanders seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

#### Director's Report Continued

- Enrollment projections at 189 (proposed budget is for 168 to accommodate loss)
- Needs approval to submit Title 1 Grant

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve submission of Title I Grant Submission by Natalie (Dawn Shumate seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

#### Director's Report Continued

- Working on audit with auditor
  - Board needs to have 2 pieces of ID on file in future
  - Many other forms and learning experiences!
- Summer learning program
  - Received money from state to hold summer learning program (but it is prescriptive in how it is spent)
  - Natalie plans to run as tutoring-like program; will follow state guidelines for camps (sanitizine etc.) starting next week
- Remote learning plan - due 7/20
- Discussed Return to School Committee tasks and progress

#### **Special Guest: Megan Ellis (NC Community Foundation)**

- Helped us establish endowment in 2018

- Working towards getting all endowments to \$25,000 minimum
- Money would be returned if we can't reach \$25k by deadline (which has been extended to December 21st)
- Talked about implications and process of closing endowment fund if we decide to
- We will wait to make a decision until we see what fall semester brings since we have time

#### Director's Report Continued

- Possible outcomes for back to school
  - Plan A - back like normal
  - Plan B - back at 50% capacity
  - Plan C - totally remote learning
- Goal would be to offer remote learning in all plans in case parents are not comfortable with sending students back to school in person
- At the moment plan A is unlikely
- Discussed implications of Plan B's multiple options
- Remote learning option would allow higher enrollment to continue
- If students do not return in fall but then return later in school year, we do not receive funding for them
- Guidance from Department of Health and Human Services - manual of things that need to be done for in person classes
  - Social distancing requirement, logistics
- Last day to enroll is currently the 2nd day after Watauga returns from winter break (should we change to earlier?)

#### Staff Reports

- None

#### Potential new board members brief discussion

#### ADJOURN

- Charlene Grasinger moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded Paul Fox – PASSED by consent
  - June 29th 2020 TRCS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:42pm
  - Moved to Executive Session

Adjourned Executive Session and returned to Regular session at 7:54pm  
 Regular Session called to order 7:54pm by Rose Mary Webb

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve Kristine Martin as a Board member (Charlene Grasinger seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve Melissa Thomas as a Board member (Laura Fonseca seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ACTION: April Flanders motions to approve Tara Stollenmaier as a Board member (Charlene Grasinger seconded) - MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**Retreat Date: July 27th**

**Next regular meeting: July 13th**

**August 24th: First regular meeting of the new school year**

- Rose Mary moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded April Flanders – PASSED by consent
  - June 29th 2020 TRCS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 8:12pm
  - Moved back to Executive Session