

Honey Creek Community School
Minutes of January 25, 2012 Board of Trustees Meeting
Call to Order: 5:33p.m by Board President Scott Mahler
Recording Secretary: Karen Giltrow

Board Members Present: Pat Conlin, Will Hathaway, Brian Hockley, Kelly Krawcke, Scott Maher, Lisa Wozniak.

Staff and Community Members Present: Al Waters, Shellee Almquist, Sue Hofbauer, Tammy Hall, Karen Giltrow.

Board Spotlight: Al Waters presented on a Federally funded two year Dissemination Grant to further develop our project-based learning curriculum and instruction and to share our approach through training and mentorship.

Year 1 2012-13

Professional Development will include:

- One week Summer 2012-13 Project Based Learning
- MAPSA Training
- SEMIs Training
- Project Based Learning Mentor/Mentee Orientation (New School)

Stipends:

- Summer Training
- Mentor
- Grant Management
- Curriculum Development

Additional Elements:

- Supplies and Materials
- Local Travel
- Substitutes
- Video
- Grant Monitoring and Reporting
- Performance Management System

Year 2 2013-14

Professional Development

- One week Summer 2012-13 Project Based Learning
- MAPSA Conference (2 Days)
- Project Based Learning Mentor/Mentee Orientation (Turn Around School)
- Statewide Project Based Learning School Round-up

Stipends:

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Consent Agenda: Will Hathaway recommended the second sentence under Board Spotlight read: The new site will have a brand new look and will focus on content, and navigation for external audiences (educators, prospective students, donors). Pat Conlin moved, supported by Kelly Krawcke to approve the consent agenda as amended. **Motion was approved by all board members present.**

Public Participation: None.

Finance Committee Report: Written report in board packet. Two Phoenix Rising grants were approved. Bill VanLoo received a \$400 mini-grant in support of his participation in the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association National Conference. Cindy Wauer received \$1,000 to support a middle school trip to see “Eureka” a theatrical exploration of how math is an integral part of the world. Shellee Almquist reported the generous donation of \$25,000 to Honey Creek from the Paul and Mary Sheibar Foundation.

Fund Development: Written report in board packet. Pat Conlin and Steve Rich have begun work on organizing documents for the new entity. January meeting was cancelled. Next meeting scheduled for on February 9, 2012 at 5:30pm.

Governance Committee Report: Written report in board packet. Committee discussed using the MASB Superintendent/Director evaluation and will also contact Emerson and Greenhills to review their director evaluations.

Outreach Committee Report: Written report in board packet. The new website has received positive feedback and constructive suggestions. Minor tweaks to the website will continue.

Strategy Committee Report: Al Waters reported the first draft of the rubric is complete. The committee will review the draft and plan to present to the board at the February meeting. Lisa Wozniak recognized and thanked teachers Joe Griffith and Tammy Hall that worked on the rubric. A discussion followed and included the timeline, and when and how can we get the information out to the community.

Faculty Liaison: Tammy Hall reported on staff concerns for how and what the PTO funds. More opportunities for teacher input at PTO meetings are being looked at. A discussion followed.

Director's Report: Written report in board packet. Al Waters reviewed the following:

- University of Michigan Charter School Research Project will be studying the academic success of Honey Creek graduates in High School and College.
- Honey Creek Enrollment Meeting on January 17, 2012 had a large turnout of approximately 90 families.
- Strategy Committee completed draft of rubric of strategic plan. The committee will review the draft and after editing, will submit to the board for approval.
- Honey Creek Community School received \$25,000 from the Paul and Mary Sheibar Foundation.
- Bridge Magazine will run an article on Honey Creek Community School being named as "Educational All Stars" for 8th grade reading.

Old Business:

New Fundraising Organization

Kelly Krawcke noted they would like more members, volunteers, teachers and staff to work on developing the structure of the new entity.

New Business: None.

Other Items of Business: Board Secretary Kelly Krawcke read Bank of Ann Arbor resolution to the board, and signed the resolution.

Board Kudos To:

- Teachers and students for all of their wonderful work during this past semester that was on display at the Curriculum Celebration on January 13th.
- Johnny Thompson for organizing the blood drive, and to all the donors and volunteers who participated in this event.
- Elizabeth Sands for sharing her personal story of growing up in segregated America at our Martin Luther King, Jr. assembly.
- The teachers, faculty, parents, and students for being terrific ambassadors at the Honey Creek Enrollment meetings.
- Valerie Mann and all of the volunteers and Honey Creek students who made the beautiful items for the Winter Craft Sale.

Preparation for Board Communications: Kelly Krawcke will prepare a summary of the board meeting for the Honey Creek Newsletter.

Public Participation: None.

Adjournment: Pat Conlin moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:58p.m.

Board Attendance:

Name	Present	Absent
P. Conlin	5	2 (August, September)
W. Hathaway	3	0
B. Hockley	7	0
L. Knox	5	2 (November, January)
K. Krawcke	7	0
S. Mahler	6	1 (July)
L. Wozniak	6	1 (November)

