

Honey Creek Community School
Minutes of September 23, 2009 Board of Trustees Meeting
Call To Order: 6:24p.m. by President John Stahly
Recording Secretary: Karen Giltrow

Board Members Present: Carol Borgeson, Simona Goldin, Scott Mahler, Jeff Prenevost (arrived at 6:45p.m.), Libby Sheldon, John Stahly, and Wayne Millette (arrived at 6:27p.m.).

Staff and Community Members Present: Al Waters, Shellee Almquist, Sue Hofbauer, Stephanie Boling, Karen Giltrow and Joan Sitomer.

Board Spotlight: Yeo & Yeo representative Mari McKenzie presented the 2008/2009 audit to the board and noted there were no difficulties encountered during the audit in general. The 2008/2009 Audit reports were distributed to the board.

Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was broken due to the amendment of the August 26, 2009 board minutes. Simona Goldin moved, supported by Wayne Millette to approve the August 26, 2009 board minutes as amended. **Motion was approved by all board members present.** The minutes from the September 17, 2009 Board of Trustees retreat were distributed by John Stahly. Jeff Prenevost moved, supported by Scott Mahler to accept the August 2009 Financial Report. **Motion was approved by all board members present.** The August 2009 Expense Report was deferred to the October 28, 2009 Board Meeting.

Public Participation: None

Financial Committee: Jeff Prenevost reported the committee did not meet.

Faculty Liaison: No report.

School Age Programs: Written report in board packet. Specialized After School Programs are planned for 2009/2010.

Academic Service-Learning: Written report in board packet. The Patriot Day Assembly was held on September 11, 2009 and Bill VanLoo, Johnny Thompson, Teresa Gonzalez, Sue Hofbauer, Al Waters, Ella Steiger, Fin Seely, and Monica Bauman presented this year's theme "I Pledge".

Outreach Committee: No report.

PTO Report: Joan Sitomer gave a brief summary of what is on the PTO's horizon, and encouraged all to visit the new PTO website at: honeycreekPTO.files.wordpress.com
The PTO would like to see the parent mailboxes brought back.

Director's Report: Written report distributed. Al Waters briefed the board that during the staff's pre-service days, certifications were renewed in Non-Violent Crisis Intervention and CPR/First Aid, and teachers received training in Akili (setting up classes, creating assessments, importing standards, and sharing curriculum-mapping data). Enrollment currently is at 220 students.

Old Business:

Annual Director Evaluation

Jeff Prenevost moved, supported by Carol Borgeson to approve the 2008/2009 Annual Director Evaluation. **Motion was approved by all board members present.**

Board Goals

The discussion on Board Goals continued from the Board Retreat and some items revisited included: making time to discuss larger issues, shortening the length of board meetings, limiting the “Board Spotlight” to 15 minutes, the usefulness/appropriateness of agenda items, work toward a 15% general fund for 2010/2011, and add an agenda item that identifies board goals. A lengthy discussion followed on the need for a goal that supports student learning, and possible recognition for teachers who showed the most increase in student achievement by additional funding for their classroom needs.

New Business:

Director’s Goals

Al Waters will meet with John Stahly and Simona Goldin within the next ten days to continue to work on the goals.

Other Items of Business by Consensus of the Board: None

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Board Kudos: `

- Bill VanLoo, Johnny Thompson, Teresa Gonzalez-Woods, Sue Hofbauer, Al Waters, Ella Steiger, Fin Seely, and Monica Bauman for presenting this years’ upcoming AS-L theme of “I Pledge” and the school-wide events to the students at the Patriot Day Assembly on September 11, 2009.
- Rick Meader for all of his hard work making the Summer Picnic a huge success.
- Shellee Almquist for a great audit.
- Karen Giltrow for helping increase enrollment numbers.
- Middle School staff and parents who helped make Camp Tamarack a great experience for all.
- Will Hathaway for all of his work getting room parents in place prior to school starting.

Preparation for Board Communication: Libby Sheldon will prepare a summary of the board meeting for the Honey Bunches of Notes newsletter.

Public Participation (regarding new business only): None

Adjournment: Simona Goldin moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22p.m.

Board Attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
C. Borgeson	2	1 (July 09)
S. Goldin	3	0
S. Mahler	3	0
W. Millette	1	2 (July 09, August 09)
J. Prenevost	2	1 (August 09)
L. Sheldon	3	0
J. Stahly	3	0