

Sarasota Academy of the Arts

Board Meeting Minutes

March 27th, 2017

Location: Sarasota Academy of the Arts – Administration Building

Board members present:

- Dan Kennedy
- Robert Mclain Jr.
- Kyle Turoff
- Joe Solano
- Phil St. John

Others present:

- Cecilia Blankenship
- Kristen LaFrance
- Donna Scofield - Parent Liaison
- Kristie Bryan – Staff Liaison
- Adam Swilley
- Stephanie LaRose

- Call to order at 7:58am
- Board approved minutes for February 13th, 2017 meeting
- Financial Report – Approved
 - Emailed / Printed financial profit and loss and balance sheet reviewed
 - Board would like a financial report on the end of the year plays after this year is concluded to review for budgeting, specifically including ticket sales
 - Board would like YTD P&L vs last year and vs budget YTD
- Discussed Guidestar and Community Foundation approval
- Board recognized Stephanie LaRose for her excellent work in achieving the state recognition for being a high impact teacher. Mr. Pascuzzi also received recognition for being high impact but could not be in attendance
- Retirement Plan
 - Matt is moving ahead with Ameriprise Financial for the retirement plan
 - A meeting is scheduled with the staff on 4/3/2017

- Board reiterated its desire to ensure that no staff is negatively affected by the delay in getting the retirement plan updated
- Principal's Report - Approved
 - Waiting lists in every class
 - Currently 197 confirmed with 232 expected
 - There will be some course changes to implement a learning strategies course
 - Testing is starting now
- Portables - Approved
 - Board approved cautiously moving forward with getting the portables in place
 - Cecilia expressed concern in getting them in place before the start of the next school year
- Senate Bill 376
 - Administration needs to ensure that there is a preliminary backup budget in place to address any changes caused by this bill
- Dan is following up with the architect to discuss the possibility of a 3 story building on the new property
- Current agent of record – Board recommended using CT Corporation to act as the agent of record for the school
- Meeting adjourned at 9:13AM

Minutes submitted by Joe Solano