Sarasota Academy of the Arts Board Meeting Minutes

April 9th, 2019

Location: Sarasota Academy of the Arts

Board members present:

- Dan Kennedy
- Dan Dembicki
- Joe Solano
- Robert Mclain Jr.
- Stephanie Murphy
- Kyle Turoff
- Kaisen Mitchell via telephone

Board members absent

- Coy Carter
- Meeting Called to Order 8:01 AM
- Minutes from the 03/12/19 meeting and 02/12/19 meeting with revisions were approved
- Public Comment None
- Principals Report Unanimously approved
 - o The middle school performance has been completed
 - o The 3rd grade teacher is back at school
 - A boot camp for test preparation is being held on Saturday
 - o Lauren Neilson is helping students who need additional time with test preparation
 - SDD contract signed and completed
 - Enrollment for next year continues, 8th grade has some spots
 - Scheduling for next year has started

Old Business

- Results of the staff Florida Retirement System survey results
 - 67% would like FRS
 - Others would like other options such as increasing the matching funds
 - 85% of the staff completed the survey
- Approval of FRS on the May agenda
- o Property see April 8th letter regarding school relocation

Others present:

- Adam Swilley
- Kristie Bryan
- Stephanie LaRose
- Jodi Kopacz
- Cheryl Korwin
- Julie McHugh
- Matt McHugh
- Donna Scofield
- Jerome Pascuzzi

- Financial Report Unanimously approved
 - o Raphael from Building Hope called in to review the financials
 - 80% complete on income reclassification, expected to be complete in the next 15 to 45 days
 - o March retirement contributions were made in a timely manner on 03/29, they should be made 14 days from the payroll date which was 3/20
 - Reviewed the profit and loss and balance sheet
 - o Discussed the FRS with Raphael, it would be an additional expense of approximately \$100,000 and would have to come from personnel / staff reduction
 - Building Hope is going to determine what percentage of expenses personnel costs
 is. Dan K said that 82% is a goal he used in the past

New Business

- o Discussed a date change for the next board meeting
- Board would like to recognize the hard work put in on the school relocation report from Stephanie, Matt, and Cheryl
- o Principal Evaluation and Contract
 - Feedback from public / staff
- Scheduled a follow up meeting for 04/22/19
- Meeting adjourned at 9:39 AM

Minutes submitted by Joe Solano

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