

Arcadia Charter School  
 School Board Meeting Minutes  
 September 15, 2015

**It is the mission of Arcadia Charter School to prepare our students to transition intellectually, emotionally and ethically to higher education and future employment.**

*Minutes are in italics*

1. Call meeting to order  
 – *Meeting called to order at 6:40pm*
2. Verify Quorum  
 – *Quorum verified:*

	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sept</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec</i>	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>Mar</i>	<i>Apr</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Jun</i>
<i>Sheri</i>	x	x									
<i>Tom</i>	x6:46	x									
<i>Kate</i>		x									
<i>Gary</i>	x	x									
<i>Sarah W</i>	x	x									
<i>Sean</i>	x	x									
<i>Sara L</i>	x	x									
<i>Elisabeth</i>											
<i>Laura</i>											

*Also present: Patrick Exner, Rebecca McMullen, (Kathy Ingraham, minutes)*

3. Approve agenda  
 - *Motion to approve agenda: Sean 1<sup>st</sup>, Sarah 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous*
4. Consent Agenda:
  - (a) Minutes from August 13, 2015
  - (b) Assurances 2015-2016 – *to be signed by director and board chair*
  - (c) Dominique Bly increase from part time para to full time
  - (d) Lucy Archibald contracted for part time nurse - *4 hours/week*
 - *Motion to approve consent agenda: Tom 1<sup>st</sup>, Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous*
5. Speaker’s Corner- This is an opportunity for community members to address the Arcadia School Board on subjects related to the school. Please limit comments to three minutes. Thank you.  
 - *No community members present.*
6. Reports:
  - (a) Finance Committee Report

- Gary reviewed the September 15, 2015 Finance Committee Meeting Minutes (handouts)
- (b) Director's Report
  - Patrick reviewed the September, 2015 Director's Report (handout).
    - o Academic State Rating Presentation: MMR(Multiple Measurement Rating) based on MCA scores.
      - Measurement of math, reading and science proficiency on MCA exams
      - Student academic growth
      - Reduction of achievement gaps between white gen ed students and students of color, etc.
      - Arcadia's MMR is 58.96
      - Focus rating measures the growth of focused groups to close achievement gap
      - Focus rating for Arcadia is 80.81 compared to High School 54.49 and middle school 41.20
      - Arcadia qualifies in areas of free and reduced lunch and special ed
    - o Celebration School – Arcadia is recognized by the MN Department of Education for work closing the achievement gap. Arcadia is growing in math, reading and science at a greater rate than the majority of schools. See the website for more information.
    - o Board members need to fill out and sign for the audit the Conflict of Interest Statement
    - o Student Reps – we need to solicit for high school students interested in the position. Students should send a letter of intent and an advisor recommendation. Patrick will meet with them weekly and report.
    - o Laish is the new intern for Lisa. He will be with us September-December
- (c) Chair Report - reviewed

7. Unfinished Business:

- None

8. New Business:

- (a) Acknowledge Board Calendar of Actions - *acknowledged*
- (b) Set board goals for 2015-2016 – Survey and recap sent. **Table until October meeting**
  - Orientation packet
  - List of marketing techniques we are currently doing. Have people come together to brainstorm marketing ideas. Then they'll present and we'll make a goal from that.
- (c) Organize board and school committees
  - Propose to add an election committee
    - o Motion to add an election committee as a board committee – Kate 1<sup>st</sup>, Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous
- (d) Governance Award – deadline end of October. Something to work towards for next year. Sheri will email a link. **Tabled – add to October agenda**

(e) Assigned-IBM Lego Education Outreach - \$40/student. Once a week for 10 weeks. Motion to add assigned fund balance – Sean 1<sup>st</sup>, Sara 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous

9. Announcements:

(a) **Next Meeting** – October 8, 2015

*Motion to adjourn the Arcadia School Board Meeting: Sean 1<sup>st</sup>, Kate 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.*