# Arcadia Charter School Board Meeting Minutes February 12, 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.

1. Call meeting to order at 6:34pm

2. Verify Quorum

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Sheri	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Tom	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Kate	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Gary	Х		Х	Х	Х		Х				
Sarah W		Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Sean	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х		Х				
Sara L	Х		Х		Х		Х				
Elisabeth	Х	Х			Х		Х				
Laura	Х			Х	Х						

<sup>\*</sup>Also present: Ryan Krominga, Rebecca McMullen

- 3. Approve agenda
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup>: Tom Kastan
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sean Fox
  - c. Unanimous
- 4. Consent Agenda:
  - a. December minutes
  - b. Michelle Gregersen employment contract- Special Education (adaptive P.E.)
  - c. Leann Shore employment contract- Assisted Technology
  - d. Dissolve soccer agreement
  - e. Reinstate soccer agreement (without Randolph)

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda

- a. 1<sup>st</sup>: Gary Braun
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Tom Kastan
- c. Unanimous
- 5. Speaker's Corner- This is an opportunity for community members to address the Arcadia School Board on matters related to the school. Please limit comments to 3 minutes. Thank you.

#### 6. Reports

- a. Finance Report
  - 1. Bank Reconciliation Reports
    - a. November 2014 No concerns.
    - b. December 2014 No concerns.
    - c. January 2015 No concerns.
  - 2. Grants and Fundraising Review
    - a. Flower selling for Valentines Day to raise money for new art supplies in the art room.
  - 3. Financial Due Dates
    - a. Beginning the process of budgeting for 2015-2016
    - b. Anticipate a preliminary budget in April
  - 4. Expenditure/Revenue Report
    - a. See items Budget Comparison Report
    - b. Looking into telephone options to reduce monthly expenditure.
    - c. Agreement reached with Community Resource Bank to eliminate annual line of credit renewal. It is now a two-year agreement.
  - 5. Cash Flow Report
    - a. No Concerns
  - 6. Assigned Fund Balance Report
    - a. No activity in December or January

Discussion on Student Project Fund – Ed Committee creating a grant proposal process Discussion on creating an "advisory" line item for advisory expenses

- b. Director's Report
  - i. Enrollment 122 students
  - ii. Presentation to Northfield School Board with Prairie Creek Community School
    - 1. Highlighted the Middle School Project Process
  - iii. TIES Conference Technology conference for MN k-12 schools
    - 1. The Maker Movement http://makerthemovie.com
  - iv. ThanksGive raised around \$13,000
    - 1. Finish the flooring in the ROR over Spring Break. Remaining funds will go toward furnishing the space and technology
  - v. Advocated for Charter School funding with MN Legislature
    - 1. Testified with MN House of Representatives Finance Committee
    - 2. Proposed bill to Finance Committee for possible increase in funding
  - vi. Federal Charter School Planning Grant Process
    - 1. Looking at Best Practices Grant to disseminate/replicate
- c. Chair Report
  - i. Retreat set for next Saturday, February 21
  - ii. Three vouchers for board training Making Governance Work
    - 1. Thursday, March 19 in Brooklyn Center from 5-8pm
- d. Student Report no report
- e. Education Committee Report postponed until March meeting
- f. Facilities Committee Report
  - i. Preliminary cost comparisons of moving sites versus staying in the current building
  - ii. Recommendation: As part of the long-term strategic plan, the board should make the decision to commit to staying in the current facility for as long as available. As such, the board directs the facilities committee/school director to explore options pertaining to

securing a lease extension, purchasing the building, and structural improvements/additions.

### 7. New Business

- a. Audit Report read this
  - i. Looking for a new auditor for next year
- b. Navigating the MN Funding Report web site
- c. http://education.state.mn.us/mde/index.html#studentsFirst

### 8. Announcements:

- a. February 16 No School
- b. February 21 Board Retreat at 9am
- c. February 27 Presentation Night
- d. March 2 Staff work day- No school
- e. March 3 Term 4 starts
- f. March 12 Next School Board Meeting

## Motion to Adjourn

- a. 1<sup>st</sup>: Sean Fox
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Sara Line
- c. Unanimous