

Rollingstone Community School
Special Meeting Notes 14-July-2021
6:30pm

The following board members were present: Barb Rahn, Elizabeth Nofsinger, Mandy Schmit,
Paul Seppa

The following community members were present: Paul Kreidermacher, Bonnie Chapman

Approval of the June 30, 2021 regular board meeting minutes. Barb Rahn motioned to approve
the June 30, 2021 regular board meeting minutes. It was seconded and then approved by
unanimous consent

1. Review of Previous Notes

Agenda Review: Paul Seppa motioned to approve the agenda. It was seconded and the motion
was approved.

2. Bylaws – Final Review and Approve

- a. Amended with changes marked discussed at previous meeting
- b. Bylaws will be sent by Paul to the guild this week
- c. Questions regarding the school director as to who the director would be as mentioned
in the bylaws. This will remain to be determined
- d. Mandy Schmit motioned to approve by laws. It was seconded and then approved by
unanimous consent.

3. Start-Up Coordinator Position – Application Review

- a. Posted in the Winona post and online on state website
- b. No other applications submitted after one week
- c. Discussion to interview James Lewicki via phone/zoom for the position of start up
coordinator. James would like to know by late July for the position.
- d. Question and concerns for the interview include having a check list of tasks and
timeline of tasks to be accomplished.
- e. Interview will include Barb, Mandy, and Paul
- f. Paul will set up interview for next week

4. MAPES Survey

- a. Purpose is to evaluate our current authorizer
- b. Feedback for the guild: improve on timeliness, further direction on starting up the
charter school, holding more individualized meetings

5. Parade

- a. JR Confirmed that we are in the parade Sunday, August 8th at 1pm
- b. Mandy will create a flyer

- i. Flyer will include: opening fall 2022, board member names, STEAM school, community connection school, charter school (no tuition, public school), facebook page, where to find interest form
 - c. All who can will purchase candy for the parade, one or two wagons
 - d. Mandy will create a post on facebook to ask for previous graduates and/or new students to join us for the parade. We will all meet at the bank where the parade starts
 - e. Elizabeth will ask city council member Rachel Larson to help spread the word/ask for participants for the parade
- 6. Board Liability Insurance
 - a. Requirement of the state
 - b. Mandy will see if her husband can check in on what is required
- 7. Website - Elizabeth
 - a. Spoke with Bill Katula, web design director, at Vision Design Group on 7/12/21. Currently they have websites for bluffview and riverway learning community.
 - b. Cost: upfront \$4600, \$50 monthly maintenance fee, \$800-1000 for major updates. No long term contract
 - c. Process: Create a school site map via google docs, they will then create a website template where we can add to each section
 - d. Best to give one person from the school the responsibility to manage/update the website. They will be trained by vision design group on how to make changes to the site.
 - e. Bill highly suggests using google docs, calendars, etc as these can easily be uploaded to the website
 - f. Once the sitemap is done 6 week turn around for the website to be created

Mandy also knows someone who can do branding with the website. Mandy will ask for another proposal.

- 8. Guild Contract update
 - a. Still waiting to hear from the guild
 - b. Due to the state by July 27th
- 9. Fund-Raising Thoughts
 - a. Rollingstone Fire Relief – Paul Seppa and Paul Kreidermacher
 - i. Fire department wanted to know the benefits of the school
 - 1. Discussion by the board regarding benefits of the school: sense of community, giving a school to this area, collaborate with the fire department, increase young families in the community, parents more active in the community if a school is here, quality of the previous school was very high, better quality staff if we have more resources, charter

schools require more community input, community becomes a vested member in the school, volunteer opportunities for community members (Paul Kreidermacher gets many inquiries about volunteering, job positions, etc.).

- ii. The fire department will vote on giving a donation to the school in one month
- b. Rollingstone Activity Group / Jaycees
 - i. Paul will get on their next agenda
- c. Other fundraising ideas
 - a. Looking into more grants
 - i. Barb will check into grant writing course/contacts with WSU
 - ii. Russ Rattunde is a possibility to help with grant writing
 - b. Write a general letter to ask for donations, Paul will draft this
 - c. Mandy has a referral program through her work organization
 - d. Golf outing
- d. Donation money will go toward: liability insurance, start up coordinator, and website
- e. Paul Kreidermacher asked about the cost needed before any received grants. Estimate is around \$10,000-20,000
- f. Rollingstone days French toast breakfast profits will go to the Rollingstone School, Sunday August 8th in the morning.
- g. All participants at the meeting will continue to think of other fundraising ideas

Other discussions not on agenda

1. Preschool
 - a. Check into community cares
 - b. Kasey Pehler would be interested as a teacher for the preschool
2. Mandy will start adding school board meetings to social media
3. Start thinking about open houses in the fall and another early winter
 - a. Barb can set up a "model" classroom for the open house in mid-late september
4. Do an open gym and open library before the school would open to increase interest
5. Discussion regarding when access can start for using the library to set up for the school as it is currently be used by the church. This is needed by September/October. Paul Kreidermacher will see if he can find out when the city can have the church discontinue use of the library. Will seek more volunteers to set up a library organization.
5. Add to the parking lot
 - a. Town meeting
9. Barb Rahn motioned to adjourn at 7:53 pm. It was seconded and then approved by unanimous consent