

Fremont STEM Academy
Governance Board Meeting
May 26, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Doug at 6:01 p.m.

Roll:

Present - Doug Ehrenberg, John Ohlson, Adam Keller, Teri Keller, Nikole Braun, Paul Krause, Chamomile Nusz via Zoom

Absent – Tricia Grimm

- 1) John led a tour of the Fremont Elementary School and the potential spaces that would be used for the Charter School. The areas primarily included the current library and the adjacent rooms in the southwest part of the school.
- 2) Gathering: Sharing of community connection about Fremont STEM Academy
Various board members shared interactions with community members regarding the Charter School. Most conversations have been positive.
- 3) Motion by Teri to approve the meeting agenda. Second by Adam. Motion carried.
- 4) Meeting minutes from the previous meeting were not available for review. They will be presented at the June meeting for approval.
- 5) New Board member Nikole Braun was officially sworn in.
- 6) Public Participation: None
Chamomile will present a Public Participation Policy at the June meeting for action by the Board.
- 7) Next meeting date is June 16th 5-8:30 p.m. The Charter School Consultant will provide training for Board members at this meeting. John will coordinate food.
- 8) WRCCS Conference July 27th
Doug agreed to attend the virtual meeting as the Board representative, but an alternate participant is needed in case Doug can not make it. At least one Board member is required to attend, all Board members are welcome.
- 9) Curriculum/Pedagogical/School Overview
Chamomile presented a PowerPoint presentation that gave an overview of the Vision the Charter School and Curricular Model. The Charter will focus on Project Based Learning and Student-Driven Projects that will provide College and Career Readiness.
- 10) Review of Grants
We should be hearing if the DPI Charter Planning Grant has been approved very soon. If the Grant is approved, these funds could potentially begin being spent July 1.
- 11) Job Posting for Curriculum/Pedagogical Coordinator
This would be 1yr full time position with the potential to transition into a Lead Teacher position for the Charter School. Hiring for the Coordinator position would be dependent on the DPI Grant being awarded to the Fremont STEM Academy. Motion by Teri to approve the posting of the Curriculum/Pedagogical Coordinator position as presented to the Board. Second by Adam. Motion Carried.
- 12) Approval of Circle Education Charter School Contractor Proposal
Doug made a motion to accept the Circle Education Charter School Contractor Proposal pending the approval of the DPI Grant. Second by Teri. Discussion took place regarding the actual contract. This motion is for the acceptance of the proposal, the actual contract would be reviewed at the June meeting if available and would need Board approval. Motion carried.
- 13) Paul made a motion to adjourn. Second by Adam. Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.