

# Tomorrow River Community Charter School Governance Board Meeting

Wednesday April 6th, 2016, 6:30 pm Central Wisconsin Environmental Station 10186 Cty. MM Amherst Junction, WI 54407

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Attendee	Present?	Attendee	Present?
Diana Bohman*	Х	Tom Quinn	yes
Maggie Dorsey	Х	Kristy Stacy	yes
Tina Giombetti	yes	Sarah Tompkins	yes
Chamomile Nusz*	yes	Scott Winn	yes
Louise Pease	yes		

<sup>\*</sup>Non-voting member

Other Attendees: Kelly Tielens

#### 1. Opening Meeting

The regular meeting of the Tomorrow River Community Charter School Board was called to order at 6:34 pm at the Tomorrow River School District Board Room by Co-Chair Louise Pease. Board members in attendance were: Chamomile Nusz, Tina Giombetti, Tom Quinn, Kristy Stacy, Sarah Tompkins, and Scott Winn.

#### 2. Opening

- a. Gathering Verse: Louise Pease
- b. Sharing of positive memory from the past week: All

#### 3. Business

a. Agenda discussed by

### Agenda Approved

- 1. Next Meeting: May 2nd 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Central WI Environmental Station.
  - a. Enrollment lottery will take place at this meeting.
    - i. Discussion on enrollment.
    - ii. Based on current applications we will need a lottery. We are considering increasing the class size number in PreK

from 20 to 22 based on conversations Chamomile has had with incoming parents (and to account for attrition). Two parents have already stated that they will be sending their kids through kindergarten more than one year. This means we must consider how that will impact class size in the future. This discussion will be sent to the Executive committee for a final decision. The Governance Board is recommending that the PreK class size be increased to 22 for the 2016/17 school year.

- **b.** Public Participation
  - None
- c. Approve Consent Agenda
  - Approve March Meeting Minutes
  - Committee/Faculty Meeting Minutes
  - Contractor/Employee Reports
  - Financial Report
- d. Teacher Reports
  - Miss Naomi is proposing starting a snack program in her classroom that would be expensed to the parents.
    - 1. Tom will speak to the early childhood teachers about the cost of their individual programs.
  - Mr. Dan is asking if unapproved board minutes can be shared with staff as an internal documents so teachers can more privy as to what is happening at governance board meetings.
    - 1. Board agrees to share unapproved minutes for staff use only.
  - Mr. Dan would like his classroom cleaned more often.
    - 1. This will be discussed in an upcoming staff meeting.
  - Ms. Emily is in need of chalkboards.
    - 1. Ask what size she needs and order it.
    - 2. Tina will look into getting a small, freestanding one donated.
    - 3. Tina will see if we have any chalkboards left from the lot we purchased before the school started.
  - Ms. Maggie needs a charging station for 24 Chromebooks.
    - 1. We will add a charging station to our building projects this summer.
  - Ms. Maggie has some floor coming up.
    - 1. Tom will address it.
- e. 2016/17 Budget/Staffing
  - Discussion on budget and staffing.
- f. Governance Board Retreat May 14th-15th
  - Agenda, Study, Mission Statement
    - 1. Discussion on accommodations
- g. Emily's 3rd Grade Classroom Cooking/Kitchen
  - Tom says a 220 outlet can be put in Fox Lodge to accommodate an oven for her

cooking plans.

- Tina will meet with her to design a movable kitchen unit.
- h. Classroom Garden Boxes
  - Kristy and Sam would like to have garden boxes outside each classroom. This is a large project for Kristy to take on herself in Practical Arts. Consider having someone make them, or seek help with acquiring the lumber.
  - Tom may be able to get help from volunteers build the boxes, his staff can cut and organize the lumber into kits for the volunteers to assemble. Tom will work with Sam on this.
- i. CWES Program Partnership
  - No major changes.
    - Board is questioning the relevance of the "Agreement 9) 1. The TRCCS
      Governnance Board will have a representative serving from the TRSD
      School Board as well as CWES to maintain a transparent and fully
      informed working relationship." in this agreement and is asking for it to
      be removed from the CWES/TRCCS Program Partnership. We would then
      discuss adding it to the TRCCS bylaws at the annual meeting in June.
      - a. Board approves Agreement pending above edit.
- j. Spring 1 Credit UW-SP Intro to Waldorf Education Class (early June)
  - Discussion on progress on this program.
  - This program would be targeted at public school teachers and parents of Waldorf students or parents of potential Waldorf students.
- k. Farm to Cafeteria Conference June 2-4th, Sam DeRoche
  - Board agrees to fund Sam's attendance to this conference.
- 4. Events
  - a. Garden Afternoon & Healthy Lunch Workshop April 7th
  - b. Trike-A-Thon Saturday April 23rd
    - We are seeking volunteers to ride/supervise on the Blazin' Bikes track
    - We could also use a volunteer or two for concessions.
    - We are seeking silent auction donations as well. Our bidders will mainly consist of TRCCS families. Please let Chamomile know of any donations you have received. The Public Relations and Funding Committee would like them by April 20th.
  - c. Spring Festival May 17th
    - Most festival activities will be happening during the day in the classrooms with a performance at the end of the day in which families are invited to attend.
  - d. Last Day of School June 2nd
    - There will be a ceremony for Ms. Theresa's graduating class. Details to come.
    - All grades will swim at Sunset if we can acquire enough lifeguards.
  - e. Move Out June 3rd
    - We'll need help moving out. Details to come.
- 5. Closed Session
  - a. The governance board entered into Closed Session at 9:15 pm.

- Discussion on budget and staffing.
  - 1. Board agrees to increase office staff hours up to 40 hours per week as needed pending final TRSD approval,
  - 2. Board agrees to increase Practical Arts and Handwork teachers' prep time to an additional hour per week pending final TRSD approval.
  - 3. Board agrees to funding the development of specials curriculum at a rate of \$500 per delivered completed specials curriculum pending final TRSD approval,.
  - 4. Board agrees to increase cleaning days to 4 days per week pending final TRSD approval,
- 6. Return to open session 10:04 pm.
- 7. Closing
  - a. Action Items discussed.
  - b. Adjourn Meeting 10:05 pm