Tomorrow River Community Charter School
Governance Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 6:30pm
Tomorrow River School District, Board Room
357 N Main Street, Amherst, WI 54406

UNOFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES

Board Member	Present		Present
Tina Giombetti: President	Yes	Sarah Snell: Vice-President	Yes
Tom Quinn: Treasurer	Yes	Laura Miller: Secretary	Yes
Camille Kadoch: Member	Yes	Brad Lobner: Member	Yes

Other Attendees: Naomi Miller, Ryan Ruggles, Al Northouse, Mark Kryshak, Laura Brown

Minutes taken by Laura Brown

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1. Call to Order: Tina Giombetti brought the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.
    a. Public Participation
        i. Sarah Snell shared about her experience at the WRCCS Conference.
        ii. Laura Miller and Tina Giombetti shared what they learned at the WRCCS Conference.
2. Next Meeting: October 9th at 6:30pm
    a. Joint Staff/Board Meeting: November 20th at 4:00pm
        i. Tom is going to attend the all staff meeting in October to get a feel for what the staff would value as agenda items.
        ii. Team building 4-6:30pm
3. **Approve Agenda - approved without discussion.**
4. **Approve Consent Agenda**
    a. Finance Committee: A suggestion was made to change the system so skyward fees get paid straight to the district. Laura will talk with Merry about this, possibly for next school year.
    b. EC lunch rate is currently about $3.00/day for both classes.
    c. **Approved.**
5. Agenda Topics:
    a. Reports/Information/Updates
        i. Principal Report/Enrollment
            1. Suggestion for open house: add which grade is in which building to the map.
            2. Al commented on the culture among the staff. Supportive, direct, solution oriented.
            3. Alternate accountability forms for TRCVS have been submittted today for

the school report card.

4. Enrollment: virtual enrollment is still growing. 75 confirmed and 3 more applications today.
5. Bus 22: still working on adjusting the timing to get bus 22 to TRCCS on time. It is still arriving 5-10 minutes late.

b. Budget
   i. 2024/25 Fundraising Budget: this is the second viewing.
      1. Increase from $3,000 to $6,500 for PD
      2. Field trip supplement: Laura made an error, there is no need to allocate funds.
      3. Violin supplement? One rental. There have been violins acquired by the school for Ms. Chris to keep for when students forget their instruments. Repairs for these are expensive and it would be good to have funds set aside for necessary repairs. $500 is sufficient for both the rental and a cushion for repairs.
      4. EC lunches are becoming more sustainable each year, lower this supplement to $1,500.
      5. Budget for school visits $500: does the cost of subs come out of this amount? No.
      6. Put this on hold until October. Consider the increased Teacher Training amount and realistically how we plan to meet this cost. Next month, have numbers for how much Red Granite paid for the summer sessions and how much we paid teachers. Laura will put these numbers together for next month.

c. Policies
   i. Class Size Policy
      1. Discussion about raising the PK enrollment to 22. Naomi shared reasons why she and Dan have planned the numbers the way they are currently, with 20 Pre-K and 22 Kindergarten, to leave space for students who might not be ready to move to first grade at the end of the Kindergarten year.
      2. If we could offer off day care, it would significantly impact EC enrollment. Every year we have several PK families decline spots because they can’t figure out care for the off days.
      3. For now, keep max class sizes the same: 20 PK and 22 K-8.
      4. Tom moved to approve the policy with the edits as written. Laura Miller will clean it up. **Approved by consensus.**
   ii. Handbooks: Al read through the Family Handbook and Teacher Guidebook and made the most rudimentary changes to have correct information, but did not undertake any formative changes for the time being.
      1. Motion to approve the Teacher Guidebook just for this school year, with approval for Al to make small changes for accuracy. Form a mandate to create a new document that functions more as an addendum to the district staff handbook. **Approved.**

d. Staffing

e. Governance Board
   i. Board Vacancy - Seat #1 remains open.
   ii. Communications Survey - this is ready to go out.
      1. Newsletter discussion.
   iii. Annual Report - template is created, info will be added and it will be complete prior to the end of the month. The annual report for 23-24 will then be created in October.

iv. Calendar - Board committee meetings need to be added to the TRCCS google calendar, with agendas/minutes attached.

f. Adjourn: Tina adjourned the meeting at 8:14pm.

Important Dates:

- October 4th: Festival of Courage
- October 18th: Enchanted Forest