

The Ivy School-Regular Board Meeting Minutes

5420 N Interstate Ave.

Monday October 24, 2022

Regular meeting 5:00-6:00pm

Phone: [+1 260-327-1959](tel:+12603271959) (PIN: 810105730) Virtual: meet.google.com/dim-jzhx-ixs

Board members present: Tom Bull, Margie Sollinger, Paul Clerc, Jim Livermore, Eric McNair Scott

Board members absent:

Admin: Nikki Mitchell, Amy Stuhr

Other: Sam Nagmay (PTA), Amanda Rhodes (PTA), Jenea Dennie, Mandy Lehinger, Mark Russell, Resa Gutierrez-Tufts, Sarah Trotta, Tom Stason

Meeting Facilitator: Tom Bull

5:01 Tom Bull Opens meeting

Approval of September 2022 minutes

- Margie Sollinger moves to approve minutes
- Eric McNair Scott seconds
- All present members in favor, motion carries

Board Positions

- Nomination for Board Treasurer
 - Margie Sollinger nominates Paul Clerc
 - All present members in favor, motion carries
- Nomination for Board Vice President
 - Eric McNair Scott nominates Jim Livermore
 - All present members in favor, motion carries
- In future we will nominate a “President elect”. May vote for next president. This will happen in June. Then president will move to “past President”. System supports someone always in place.

Leadership Report (Nikki Mitchell)

- Professional Development In-service day
 - Training on I-ready staff on looking at data and lesson improvement
 - Aaron Nigel Smith workshop on drumming and how to show up as an adult
- Looking at sound proofing the music room
- Tuesday back to school and power outage.
 - Closed school.
 - Appreciation to parents, teacher, assistants to make sure everyone was safe that day.
 - Panning ahead: Jim Livermore to work with campus coordinator, Bruce, to look into a generator.
- Meeting with intervention specialist- Ms. Antonnia
 - She will work with learning loss. Math and reading focus.
- Yoga – two 20-minute sessions. Pilot program funded by Esser.
- Going out- has started again
 - Library outing

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- o DogMan play
- Our cook, Tia, back from maternity leave on 30th
 - o Will move towards family style where lunch is served on plate (versus plastic container)
- Audit- auditors scheduled for this month but delayed. Will be at the next meeting.

Treasurer Report

- Revenue is \$8000 over budget currently
 - o After school and children's house under budget due to lower participation then anticipated
 - o Large donation was received that supported fundraising
 - o State funding will begin this month.
- Expenses are under budget in general
 - o Budgeted positions currently unfilled
 - o Supplies and material underbudget due to timing of spending
 - o Computer software and hardware a little over budget
- Summary- In good financial shape.
 - o 2-4 months of cash reserves

PTA- Sam Nagmay

- Apple sale order taking has finished
 - o Sold around \$6000 (Just under what we sold last year with less time this year)
 - o Straight donations were part of the fundraising
 - o Volunteer help for apples desired
- Planting party
 - o Hannah got the whole thing together
 - o Major success, many families with kiddos.
 - o Planting in the fall. Looks beautiful!
 - o One more planting once fence gets in.
- Fence
 - o Delayed due to supply line (sand-blaster)
 - o Planting will happen after fence is in place
- Launching the winter Greenery Sale shortly

Board Member Resources– Tom Bull

- Tom reviewed training for Board members and nine trainings stood out.
- Tom has copied and shared links to board members including:
 - o Public Meeting
 - o Law
 - o How to run a meeting
 - o Board Roles
 - o Role for the chair

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- o Budget training
- Project management Resources
 - o Paul- uses Slack. It's like chat but each channel is dedicated to a specific topic.
 - o Slack allows us to get work done in a more efficient way.
 - o Channels can be public.
 - o Paid version may be free for non-profits. Application is ready to be submitted.
 - Paid version has indefinite retention of data. Free version does not have indefinite retention of data.
 - You could use email, Slack, or either/or.
 - o Discussion on Slack
 - May be a solution looking for a problem
 - Concerned that Slack may be a risk to inadvertent public meetings.
 - We cannot deliberate towards a decision if it does not meet public meeting requirements
 - We could get legal counsel for free - PACE
 - Nikki and Tom to take next steps
- November 28th will be a board meeting, then no meeting in December.

Public Comment

- Ivy school community Facebook group. People do try to arrange for help in picking up kid coordination when unexpected events take place.

Close of Meeting 5:45 PM

- Eric McNair Scott moves to close meeting
- Margie Sollinger seconds
- All present members in favor, motion carries