

Prairie Creek Community School  
School Board Monthly Meeting Minutes

January 23, 2020  
7:00pm

Prairie Creek Community School, Northfield MN 55057

- 1 Call to order
- 2 Attendance

2019-2020	Aug 22	Sept 26	Oct 24	Nov 21	Dec 19	Jan 23	Feb 27	Mar 19	Apl 23	May 28	Jun 25
Trish Beckman	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓					
Jason Buckmeier	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓					
Don Findlay	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah	✓	X	✓	X	✓	✓					
Bonnie Jean Flom	X	✓	X	✓	X	✓					
Ryan Krominga	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓					
Molly McGovern Wills	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Ben Miller	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Lisa Percy	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	X					
Simon Tyler-ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Keith Johnson- ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Colleen Braucher	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					

- 3 Recognition/Announcements The all staff meeting yesterday was a very engaging hour. It was lead by Bonnie Jean, Natlie, Cale, Nikki and Olivia R. The upcoming opera preparation has been a huge amount of work and a lot of great energy. It will be fun to see the final event next week. Thank you Nancy for your leadership in the opera and the specialist for all their work and flexibility.
- 4 Public Comments: N/A
- 5 Approve Agenda-Revised Agenda (Remove Item for Action a)  
Moved: Don Findlay  
Second: Trish Beckman  
Passed: unanimous
- 6 Approve Minutes from the December 19, 2019  
Moved: Jason Buckmeier  
Second: Kelsey Fitschen Hemmah  
Passed: unanimous
- 7 Items for discussion and/or reports
  - a Discussion with Eugene Piccolo/Minnesota Association of Charter Schools: Public Policy/Cruz Guzman Case/What is adequate education in the state of minnesota?/The Federal Reserve and Former Judge Page would like to amend the constitution. MDE has established a finance work group to have recommendations for the governor. P20 Council preschool to age 20. A council that includes early childhood to colleges and k-12. The state goal is that 70% of all adults are prepared for the workforce. It all works back from there.

Charter School Law was amended in 2009. This is the last time any big changes have been made.

b Director Report: Simon gave his annual report to the Northfield School Board, and Ben attended also.

c Education Program Committee: One conference day has been held and the second is coming up on Monday. We have had an all staff meeting, and a Wednesday to focus on equity. The sped teachers (Michelle B, Kelsey, Carley) presented to the Northfield School on dyslexia and OG, about 130 educators were in attendance.

d Finance Committee: There was a comprehensive payroll review done since the last report. We also learned that the amount of our REAP grant will be reduced by the amount of our Title 4 grant. Not great news, it is delayed by one year, so will not be reduced until next school year. The finance committee talk about the budget today. We will set up and extra meeting before the next board meeting to have more discussion.

e Development Committee: 77% of our target for the year has already been met. The auction is 57 days away! Simon, Don and Jason met to talk about development.

f Nominations Committee: We will have 3 parent openings. Trish is making some direct asks at this time.

g Policy Committee: The Enrollment/Lottery Policy was review and will be voted on next month.

h Sub Committee Reports

#### **Arts Committee**

(submitted by Nancy Dennis)

Arts Committee members are very busy working on writing the grant for the next Arts Residency that's due February 7th. We have an exciting plan and hope for the best!

#### **Technology Committee**

The Technology Committee did not meet in January.

#### **Wellness Committee**

(Submitted Nurse Connie Menssen)

Wellness Committee met January 8.

We discussed classroom Nutrition Education and the possibility of having a nutrition expert coming to speak at an All School Gathering. Additionally, we talked about a community-wide flu shot clinic for fall 2020, staff CPR needs, and the best way to help staff balance work and family. The Wellness Committee will be looking for one new member fall 2020. Connie has set up seizure training and it will be held next Wednesday, January 29, 2020.

#### 8 Items for Action

a Review: Admissions Policy-REMOVED FROM ACTION ITEM AND MOVE TO DISCUSSION

#### 9 Adjournment 8:44pm

Moved: Don Findlay

Second: Bonnie Jean Flom

Passed: unanimous

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, February 27, 2020 @ 7:00pm