

Prairie Creek Community School  
School Board Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2020  
7:00pm

Prairie Creek Community School, Northfield MN 55057

1 Call to order 7:11pm

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	✓	✓	✓	✓	X		
Jason Buckmeier	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Don Findlay	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah	✓	X	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Bonnie Jean Flom	X	✓	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	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓		

3 Recognition/Announcements: Bonnie Jean would like to recognize Simon for all his work keeping families informed and your compassionate and empathic remarks. Thank you to the teachers and support staff for all your work during this difficult time. Lisa wanted to thank all of the staff's families during this time. What the staff has accomplished is astonishing during this pandemic. The board for their support and Ben for all his time meeting with Simon each week. A thank you to Matt Hillmann for inviting us into their process during this school closing and distance learning. Matt has been so generous with his time and it has been so very helpful. Jason wanted to thank all the auction volunteers for their work on the auction. All their work during a very fluid situation. Thank you Simon for your support during the auction. Ryan Krominga announced that his family will be moving to the Little Falls area and he is withdrawing from running for the board next year.

4 Public Comments: N/A

5 Approve Agenda

Moved: Bonnie Jean Flom

Second: Kelsey Fitschen Hemmah

Passed: unanimous

6 Approve Minutes from the March 19, 2020 To amenda that Bonnie Jean was not in attendance

Moved: Don Findlay

Second: Jason Buckmeier

Passed: Bonnie Jean abstained everyone from voting, all others voted to pass

7 Items for discussion and/or reports

a Director Report: We have a full 30 kindergarten students for next year. We have a waitlist at all grades. We are working at filling places in older grades as two families are leaving. It is so incredible how the teachers put the distance learning plan into place in such a short time. Thanks to the tech committee and all the work they have done over the past 5 years. We were able to equip our students with tech and thank you to Canopy IT for their work with our families. The survey data was very positive. There are equity issues all over the place, but are working hard to put measures in place to help the best we can. All schools had to provide child care and we collaborated with Northfield on that. Northfield has the infrastructure to handle it. We also coordinated with Northfield on the food program.

b Education Program Committee: Molly talked about Q-comp. They are allowing us to be more creative and flexible with our second cycle of coaching. The coaches will have an end of the year reflection with each of the teachers. There will be some changes on our the learning goal is accessed.

c Finance Committee: We have 2 proposed budgets that we are looking at. We are approaching the 25% mark on the 3 year budget outlook. What do we look at to bring the budget in range at the 3 year point. Keith went over the two budgets with the board. The biggest difference in the budgets is the amount of fund raising, one budget lowers it to \$50,000 rather than 90,000. Both budgets reduce TA hours by 2 per day. Our Title hours will be lost due to the funding we will not be receiving for Title. The library position will remain open at this time. No increase for staff.

d Development Committee: We exceeded our goal for the year. The auction put us over our goal. The auction raised over \$26,000. There are a few expenses that still need to be paid out for the auction. The raffle is still outstanding at this point and we need to set a date.

e Nominations Committee: Diana sent out the ballots. Ballots will be counted by 2 board members.

f Policy Committee

## 8 Items for Action

a Consent Agenda

COVID-19 Child Care Center staff adjusted hourly rate. \$20/hour during the Distance Learning period.

Moved: Bonnie Jean Flom

Second: Lisa Percy

Passed: unanimous

b Online Meeting Resolution to waive the requirement for someone to be in the building during the pandemic.

Moved: Bonnie Jean Flom

Second: Don Findlay

Passed: unanimous

## 9 Adjournment 9:03pm

Moved: Lisa Percy

Second: Kelsey Fitschen Hemmah

Passed: unanimous

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 28, 2020 @ 7:00pm