Governing Council Regular Meeting

Held both virtually and at Roots and Wings Community School

35 La Lama Rd, Questa, NM 87556

5 pm, December 15, 2020

Meeting Held Via Google Meets

1. Opening Business
   1. Call to Order at 5:04pm
   2. Roll Call-

Erica Lannon- GC Member-present

Aline Robertson- GC Member-present

Jenny Lewis- GC Member-present

Robin Mayo- GC Member- absent

Amelia Eshleman- GC Member-present

Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot- GC Member-present

We have a quorum

Others Attending:

Jon Orris- School Director

Sarah Pina- School Business Manager

Veronica Garcia- School Administrative Assistant

* 1. Motion for Approval of Agenda made by Aline Robertson and second by Jerrod Rowlison- Elliot. Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot, Aline Robertson, Jenny Lewis, Amelia Eshleman and Erica Lannon vote in the affirmative. Motion Carries
  2. Motion for Approval of Minutes with amendments made by Aline Robertson and second by Jenny Lewis. Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot, Aline Robertson, Jenny Lewis, Amelia Eshleman and Erica Lannon vote in the affirmative. Motion Carries
  3. Mission Moment- At the Charter Renewal Hearing, the commissioner said we should be more focused on the mission and not so much on test scores. Good to hear. They changed contract going forward that we will be able to focus on that. The K-2 had Celebration of Learning this week, it was tied into mission. The students presented fables they created and all either read an excerpt or whole story. They had 100 percent attendance by students and parents and had grandparents from East Coast able to join in, which is a plus side of virtual.

1. No Public Comment
2. Action Items
   1. Motion to table Bank Account Change to Small Business Checking until we have more info made by Aline Robertson and second by Amelia Eshleman. Aline Robertson, Jenny Lewis, Amelia Eshleman Erica Lannon and Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot vote in the affirmative. Motion Carries. Will be an action item on next meeting’s agenda
   2. Motion to approve BAR #570-000-2021-0011-I(increase) for $1050.00 for Private Direct Grants (TCF) by Aline Robertson and second by Jenny Lewis. Aline Robertson, Jenny Lewis, Amelia Eshleman, Erica Lannon and Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot vote in the affirmative. Motion Carries.
   3. What learning mode will we be in after we return January 4, 2021 and direction for the remainder of the school year. In consideration of the parent and staff survey, motion to keep school in remote learning and review at the end of 3rd quarter by Jenny Lewis, second by Amelia Eshleman. Jerrod Rowlison-Elliot, Aline Robertson, Jenny Lewis, Amelia Eshleman and Erica Lannon vote in the affirmative. Motion carries
3. Informational/Discussion Items
   1. Directors Report-RWCS staff and GC should be using RWCS email for protection of personal email. If there were ever a legal discrepancy and you are named on it, email can be accesses and if using personal email, they would be allowed to access personal email as well. Our charter was renewed. iReady is something that works well in the remote model and to rectify the declining math scores. It is a program we will continue to use when we are back in person. It works on a personal level with students. We discussed snow days during remote learning. We will not have snow days during remote learning.
   2. Finance Committee Report- We started $183,000 ended with $187,000.00. We have normal payrolls, taxes and payments. Spent little over $9000.00 in November. Projected to have a 16.63% reserve balance. Ending fund balance $101,000.00. Only 4 outstanding checks written in November.
   3. Renewal Committee Report (IT IS DONE!!!)- We are renewed for next 5 years.
   4. 19-20 Final Site Report- Was received at the beginning of November. There was requested follow up, which we provided, still shows on report. This year had a good report.
   5. Results of recent parent survey on re-entry- We got a lot of positive responses with remote learning. Communication from teachers and school got really good responses. We are getting a lot of support from parents during remote learning.
   6. ACES Contract- We are not being charged with any new services. Contract has not officially ended.
4. Board Development
   1. Training schedule- There is no in person training. Hours need to be filled by members. Public Charter Schools of NM can provide on demand training for members. Not sure if we are members. Discussed joining if we are not members.
5. Closing Business
   1. Next Meeting will be January 19th, 2021 at 5pm
   2. Adjournment at 6:51pm