

The Ivy School Board Regular Meeting Minutes
January 25, 2016
Prescott Campus. 4212 NE Prescott St, Portland, OR

Attendace: Lisa Larpenteur, Alby Salsa, Kari Wax, Billy Ladd
Absent: Colleen Roberts

Administration present: Liz Caravaca, Amy Stuhr, Kari Breyne
Robyn Farcone

5:02pm Meeting brought to order by Kari Wax.

5:03pm Lisa moves to approve meeting minutes from November 2015 meeting, Alby seconds. All board members in favor, motion carries.

5:05pm Treasurer Report delivered by Lisa. Arts tax (first payment) came in. Fundraising on a good pace. Enrichment program not bringing in what was anticipated. Aftercare on budget. The audit is in process will be completed next week, state fund dispersement will be smaller in Feb due to snow day closures.

5:15pm Lisa moves to nominate Alby Salsa for Vice Chair position, Kari seconds the motion. All board members in favor. Alby accepted nomination for Vice Chair.

5:25pm Leadership report delivered by Liz.

Montessori charter schools in Oregon are meeting monthly to work on cross walking Montessori principles with state standards. Educator Effectiveness Meeting will meet monthly. There is talk about more collaboration and putting together PD. The Annual Report was presented to ODE by Ivy Leadership team. Work Session and training with other state sponsored charter schools was valuable. Drainage situation on Prescott campus is being addressed. Montessori coach Alexis began her teacher mentorship and classroom observation. The SPED teacher will take a leave of absence for a month.; a substitute is in place. Lottery applications are coming in. Report cards are in process.

Facilities update: Ivy leadership toured an empty available school building in Gresham. The building was found to be in a challenging location.

Legislative efforts: The legislative session starts Feb 1 LC125 will begin that session and go thru the 25 steps to become a law. Efforts are being made to support this legislative concept by writing letters, inviting legislatures to tour Ivy, etc.

5:40pm Fundraising update delivered by Robyn: Winter performance was a successful kick off. Donations continue to trickle in. More Restaurant fundraisers are in the works. \$600 was raised at Pizzicato Fundraiser. Plans are to put a deadline in place and to do another Ask. Right now we are at a 20% participation rate, our hope is still to get closer to 100%. Grants are being submitted. One has been sent to Metro.

An event is being planned. The North Warehouse is being looked at to hold an Ivy 21+ event.

Facilities:/enrollment: Amy suggests we can bring in some income with renting our school spaces out.

Community Visioning: Liz wants us to mobilize in getting Ivy's name out to the community to ensure a robust enrollment next year. Space for next year needs to be considered. A bigger conversation needs to happen regarding long term planning for classrooms and enrollment numbers.

Alby has requested information surrounding current enrollment numbers.

An equity statement is being worked on through the community visioning process. Liz would like to see the equity piece be focused on during the community visioning process before an equity statement is developed. Community vision through an equity lens. (Requires a broader community conversation). Energy needs to be given to making sure all community voices are heard. Liz suggested the need to form a committee.

6:00pm. Public Comment: A Parent shared that the Sura Hart was a wonderful presenter for the parents and staff. She also addressed the challenge of engaging parents in the fundraising efforts. Rebecca Gilson shared that she feels like a public and private Montessori kindergarten would work.

6:05pm Meeting adjourned.