

**DULUTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS ACADEMY**

**Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**DATE/LOCATION: January 18, 2022**

**DECS Business Office**

**PRESENT:** Kristin Grill, Vice President; Drew Steile, Secretary; Gerard (Dave) Spoelhof, Treasurer; Hilary Hodgman, Immediate Past President; Ryan Goldberg, Sheila Kruger, Kim Oppelt, Amanda Bruggman

**ABSENT:** Andrew Richey, Amber Lightfeather - excused

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:01 pm

**Approval of Agenda**

- Motion made (Grill), second (Oppelt) to approve the agenda as presented.
  - Motion unanimously approved.

**READING OF MISSION STATEMENT:**

- Duluth Edison Charter Schools is dedicated to the achievement of academic and personal excellence for every student, read by Ms. Kruger's 1st grade class.

**Approval of Minutes**

- Motion made (Grill), second (Bruggman) to approve the regular board meeting minutes from December 11, 2021 as presented.
  - Motion unanimously approved.
- Motion made (Grill), second (Hodgman) to approve the board retreat minutes from December 11, 2021 as presented.
  - Motion unanimously approved.

**Correspondence/Communication:**

Andrew Richey sent formal communication of his resignation.

**Special Presentation:**

- Dawn Lyons update on American Indian programming and present notice of concurrence for approval.
  - Motion made (Grill), second (Kruger) to approve the American Indian Programming as presented.
    - Motion unanimously approved.

**Swearing in of New Board Members:**

- Kristin Grill
- Amanda Bruggman
- Kelli Griffith-Dyess

**Outgoing Board Members:**

- Hilary Hodgman

- Amber Lightfeather

### **Election of Officers:**

#### Nomination Taskforce Recommendations

- President - Kristin Grill
  - Vice President - Amanda Bruggman
  - Treasurer - Dave Spoelhof
  - Secretary - Drew Steile
  - Past Presidents: (resigned)
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- Motion made (Grill), second (Oppelt) to accept nomination of Kristin Grill for President.
    - Motion unanimously approved
  - .Motion made (Grill), second (Spoelhof) to accept nomination of Amanda Bruggman for Vice President.
    - Motion unanimously approved
  - Motion made (Grill), second (Bruggman ) to accept the nomination of Gerard David Spoelhof for Treasurer.
    - Motion unanimously approved
  - Motion made (Grill), second (Oppelt) to accept the nomination of Drew Steile for Secretary.
    - Motion unanimously approved.

#### **Committee assignments:**

Executive Committee: Kristin Grill, Amanda Bruggman, Dave Spoelhof, Drew Steile

Board Development Committee:

Kim Oppelt, Sheila Kruger, Kelli Griffith-Dyess, Amanda Bruggman

Finance Committee: Dave Spoelfho, Ryan Goldberg, Drew Steile

Legacy Foundation Representative: Sheila Kruger

### **Board Leadership Training (BLT)**

Roberts Rules presented by Tim Golden

### **Public Comment:**

- None

### **REPORTS:**

#### Treasurer's Report

Dave Spoelhof presented the treasurer's report for December FY22. Supporting materials provided.

#### Donations Received:

- \$500 Townsquare Media, DECS Knowledge Bowl
- \$ 20 Rich Axler, GiveMN.org
- \$500 North Star Pac, Staff Appreciation
- \$ 480 University of MN, MN Sea Grant - Great Lakes Literacy Mini-Grant/E. Nelson

- **\$1,500 Total Donations Received**

Non-Cash donations: None

### **Head of School's Report**

Tammy Rackliffe presented the Interim Head of School's Report. Supporting materials provided.

- Motion made (Grill), second (Spoelhof) to accept personnel changes as presented.
  - Motion unanimously approved.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Executive Committee**

Kristin Grill presented the meeting minutes from January 18, 2022 as presented.

Supporting materials provided.

#### **Finance Committee**

Drew Steile presented the Finance Committee minutes from January 18, 2022. Supporting materials provided.

#### **Board Development/Personnel Committee**

Kim Oppelt presented the Board Development and Personnel Committee minutes from January 18, 2022 as presented.

- Motion made (Oppelt), second (Goldberg) to approve the update to board policy 400-20 Protecting Staff Health Status as presented.
  - Motion unanimously presented.

#### **Head of School Task Force**

Kristin Grill - more to come soon.

#### **Other Business:**

None

Kristin Grill adjourned the meeting at 6: 39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Aundrea Kinziger*

Aundrea Kinziger, DPSA Recorder