

# TWIN CITIES ACADEMY

Board Meeting

**Thursday, March 28, 2019**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Board Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Rich Holst at 5:04 p.m.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Members present: Rich Holst, Phil Jemielita, Elizabeth Neilson, Shannon Hady

Members not in attendance: Tamika Rhodes, Tim Becken, Alexandra Howes

Others in attendance: Betsy Lueth, Principal/Executive Director

## **VISION AND MISSION**

Rich Holst read the vision and mission.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the February 28, 2019 board minutes was made by Elizabeth Neilson and seconded by Phil Jemielita. Motion passed unanimously.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion to approve the agenda with addendum was made by Elizabeth Neilson and seconded by Phil Jemielita. Motion passed unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Aaliyah Hodge, representative from the University of St. Thomas, shared with the school board that the MDE is requesting a revised enrollment policy in order to finalize the five year contract between UST and Twin Cities Academy.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Executive Director Lueth presented a revised 2018-2019 budget. Discussion ensued. The revised budget was presented to the school board for a vote. A motion to approved the revised budget was made by Elizabeth Neilson and seconded by Shannon Hady. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The first draft of the three year budget was presented by Executive Director Lueth to the school board. Discussion ensued.

Executive Director Lueth discussed the new health insurance program beginning in the 2019-2020 school year. TCA will offer employees three health insurance options. Final plans will be presented at the April school board meeting.

## **REPORTS**

### **Policy Committee**

The policy committee reported that it is in the process of updating the Enrollment and Lottery policy per the needed updates from the MDE and UST.

### **Finance Committee**

Nothing more to report other than its work on the revised 18-19 budget, new insurance programs and long term budget.

### **Parents In Partnership**

Since the last board meeting, the PIP group held a panel presentation for parents and students around racial equity and justice. Five panelists representing multiple racial backgrounds shared their stories and answered questions from the audience. It was a powerful experience for all who attended.

### **Governance**

First review of bylaw revisions was presented by Ms. Lueth. Discussion ensued. The final revision of the bylaws will be presented at the April board meeting.

### **Finance**

A motion to accept the February financials was made by Elizabeth Neilson and seconded by Shannon Hady. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Director's Report**

Ms. Lueth reported that TCA was again given the designation of a "High Quality Charter School" by the Minnesota Department of education. This is its seventh year in a row.

### **Teachers' Report**

Nothing to report

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

The agenda was completed. Board Chair Holst adjourned the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

The next board meeting will be Thursday, April 25, 2019.