

MACS Board Meeting Minutes June 14, 2018

MACS Multipurpose Room
6:30 PM

Members Present: Tom Dougherty, Amanda Schneck, Barbara Halevi, Jamison Hoff, John Dagjanis, Tom Malone

Members Absent: Lisa Petralia, Nauzar Vimadalal, Cheryl Bean

Tom Malone called the meeting to order, and recognized Amy Bottomley to report the **Micromoment**:

A first grader learned first-hand about citizenship responsibilities in paying their taxes, when tax payments left less income to spend in micro-block. The cause was a bankruptcy of the employer. This led to a discussion of taxes, bankruptcy, adjusting in a low-revenue high census employee business such as those employing first graders.

Amy also discussed her **Director's Report**. Data collection is done, it's then analyzed, and the kids relate it to the state standards they are learning. The students gave annual reports on their businesses. It worked very well, and was referred to as "Micro v 2.0 as originally envisioned.

Enrollment is now at full capacity for Fall, except for 8th grade. There are 207 total admissions as of now, and we are budgeted for 211.

Amy reported a teacher resignation, someone who is getting married and will be getting *free* benefits through the new spouse in a new school district. This highlights a SWOT threat in the relative *youth* of our teaching staff.

The **Minutes** of the prior meeting were moved approved by Tom, seconded by Amanda, and voted unanimously approved.

Meetings: The August board meeting will be combined with the July Board retreat, with agendas and minutes prepared ahead as usual.

Treasurer's Report: The financials are on track for this point in the year. Our expenses will be covered all Summer, and until we open in the Fall when we submit our opening day enrollment numbers for Fall funds. It was moved by Tom and seconded by John to approve the Treasurer's report, followed by unanimous vote.

Facilities Committee : Reported a driveway estimate of \$9950 to correct potholes, do crack-filling, and seal-coating of our driveway. They also reported that \$7000 of school funds could be board-encumbered to match our portion of the Security Grant.

Auger Alarms submitted a bid of \$15,000 (best of 3) to replace door mechanisms for fire and security access, provide an alarm system, provide interior and exterior cameras and exterior speakers, and provide a very large monitor with display of all camera feeds

(such a visible monitor is a known deterrent). This system will also give Amy remote access, useful in case of alarm reports.

The committee also reported \$2970 costs for Exterior Lighting to replace existing with LED photo-sensor lights.

The committee further reported on the removal of trees to increase visibility for Fire, Police, and EMS services. Three Oaks and two Pines will be removed, stumps ground, for a cost of \$2200. The work will be done on a Saturday to avoid commuter traffic issues. This tree work is needed for security, for signage recognition for first responders, for provides a major benefit for safety.

The new fence will also be installed over the summer. It will be a wood stockade, and we will add an annual maintenance plan to preserve the wood for the future.

It was moved by Tom and seconded by Barbara to encumber the entire \$35,000 Grant to be used for: security additions, tree work, signage, and lighting. The vote was unanimous.

It was moved by Tom and seconded by Amanda to approve the \$9950 bid from R + K Paving and Sealcoating for the driveway work. The vote was unanimous.

It was moved by Amanda and seconded by John to approve up to \$11,500 for the wood stockade fence. The vote was unanimous.

We heard back from Dick Gagnon concerning a solar panel quote as a possible roof addition. The Board discussed the options involved and came to a consensus that although this could be a good thing in the future, it was not right for the school at the present time, and all members present noted their thanks to Dick for thinking of us as a candidate for such a project.

Development and Marketing Committee: Jamie delivered an update on committee work, our presentation from Kyle Schneck about Tax Credits as a possible revenue/funding source. She also reported on the status of recent community recognitions, grant applications pending, and committee member work on marketing materials.

Governance/ HR Committee: Jamie moved and Tom seconded approval and adoption of the new policies for Emergency Care and First Aid. Unanimous vote.

It was moved by Barbara and seconded by Amanda to approve and adopt the new policy for Criminal and Backgrounds Records Checks per RSA. This was unanimous with the amendment by Tom to remove the word "draft" from the document. (The purpose of the new policy is to create needed flexibility for Amy as to decisions she can make about who can volunteer or not at MACS.)

It was moved by John and seconded by Tom to approve the addition to board policy for a Board Self-Evaluation to be conducted annually. Vote was unanimous.

There was a brief report and discussion of this year's board self-evaluation (by NHCNP), and further discussion was reserved for the July board retreat. The overall sense was that we are doing a lot well for such a "young" board.

The next meeting will be on July 26th, combined with the Retreat. Tom Dougherty will facilitate which will include:

1. Board Meeting
2. Future Long-Range Planning
3. SWOT analysis (with data and info on the region supplied ahead of time)
4. Priorities for the coming school year
5. Needs and Want for the coming year

The meeting was adjourned, and these minutes are respectfully submitted by Jamie Hoff.