April Board Meeting Minutes for Thursday April 28th, 2016

Meeting in progress as of 4:30pm

Attended Members: Becky Juntunen, Norman Lynskey, Patrick Dreher, Scott Kringle, Tami Schultz, Andrea Miller, Martin Lukaszewski and Dekha Osman

Other’s in attendance: Patty Brostrom, Cindy Lavorato and BKDA Representatives

• Consent of Agenda
  ▪ Becky Juntunen motions to approve the agenda. Norman Lynskey seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.

• Approval of March 2016 Minutes
  ▪ Becky Juntunen motions to approve the March 2016 board minutes. Martin Lukaszewski seconds motion. Tami Schultz asked to be added to the attended members for the March minutes. Motion was carried as all members approved.

• Board Committees
  ✓ Executive: Scott Kringle, Tami Schultz and Becky Juntunen. Scott Kringle is the head of this committee.
  ▪ Patrick Dreher motions to approve committee. Norman Lynskey seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.
  ✓ Finance: Tami Schultz, Patrick Dreher and Scott Kringle. Tami Schultz is the head of this committee.
  ▪ Becky Juntunen motions to approve committee. Andrea Miller seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.
  ✓ Academic: Tami Schultz, Martin Lukaszewski, Andrea Miller and Norman Lynskey. Tami Schultz is the head of the committee.
  ▪ Patrick Dreher motions to approve committee. Becky Juntunen seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.
  ✓ Human Resources: Mary Becker (HR Director), Patrick Dreher, Becky Juntunen and Andrea Miller. Patrick Dreher is the head of this committee.
  ▪ Tami Schultz motions to approve committee. Martin Lukaszewski seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.
• Merger Between MTS/Minneapolis Academy
  ✓ Scott Kringle and Patty Brostrom attended a meeting with MDE Tuesday April 19th, 2016 regarding the merger. MDE stated that they do not have any concerns with the merger as they acknowledge the two schools merging could have positive benefits.
  ✓ Pillsbury requested a meeting to draft a new plan for a contract on the merger. Pillsbury has expressed concerns on how to handle, the following.
    o Academics
    o Facilities
    o Minneapolis Academy location to receive lease aid
  ✓ Patty Brostrom suggested having a cohesive plan to present to Pillsbury so they can review at their next board meeting, which will be held in June.
  ✓ Patty Brostrom confirmed that if all parties approve merger, the merger will take effect July 1st, 2016.
  ✓ The Minneapolis Academy merger hearing is to take place May 3rd. MTS will need to apply with the Attorney General the Articles of Merger. Scott Kringle signed the appropriate documents, to move forward.
  ✓ Patty Brostrom made a statement that she is confident that we can come up with a plan in an efficient matter.
    ▪ Tami Schultz motions to move forward with the merger. Patrick Dreher seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.

• Facilities
  ✓ Patty Brostrom provided information regarding the facilities, in assisting the board to make and approve appropriate decisions.
    o Confirmed that we are not receiving lease aid for the Virtual building.
    o MTS would be more likely to retain students by relocating the Middle School program to the Minneapolis Academy location.
  ✓ Patty Brostrom recommends to the board that the Virtual location relocate to the High School location.
    ▪ Patrick Dreher motions to relocate the Virtual program to the High School location. Norman Lynskey seconds motion. Martin Lukaszewski abstains. Motion carried as a majority of board approves.
• Finances
  ✓ Chuck Herdegen with BKDA was present providing the following material;
    o Merging with Minneapolis Academy has positive impacts.
    o BKDA will work with MTS in developing a budget to obtain a fund balance
    o MTS needs to consider building new/existing programs.
    o MTS needs to enroll an additional 300 students.
    o Budget planning meetings are being scheduled to assist in meeting the above objectives.
  ▪ Becky Juntunen accepts to approve financials. Norman Lynskey seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.

• Contracts
  ✓ Attorney contract is up for renewal. Board discussion was making decision on the one year contract for $80k or hourly vendor contract for $275 an hour.
    ▪ Norman Lynskey motions to approve the one year contract. Patrick Dreher and Martin Lukaszewski second motion. Tami Schultz motions to move forward with vendor contract. Becky Juntunen, Andrea Miller, Dekha Osman and Scott Kringle seconds motion. Motion was carried to move forward with the vendor contract as majority of board ruled this way.
  ✓ CaDan Technologies contract is up for renewal July 1st 2016. It was mentioned that MTS may seek opportunities in hiring a MTS employee for a Webmaster position.
  ✓ CKC Food Vended Services contract is up in June 2016. Patty Brostrom informed the board that we can extend contract for an additional year or go out to bid. Extending the contract was Patty Brostrom recommendation.
  ✓ Becky Juntunen and Tami Schultz suggested that Patty Brostrom go to an RFP as they feel it would be a disservice to the students as there have been multiple complaints on the quality of food.
  ✓ Patty Brostrom will report back at the May board meeting with the response of the Food Vended Service RFP.
  ✓ TCT contract was not provided due to personal matters of the owners. Patty Brostrom stated that she would bring the contract to the May board meeting to be reviewed.

• 2016-2017 Calendar Change
  ✓ Pillsbury will be hosting a staff forum on November 7th 2016. Due to the staff calendar already being approved, Patty Brostrom is asking the board to approve the change of the staff development day to the November 7th, 2016 date.
    ▪ Andrea Miller motions to approve make the appropriate changes to the staff calendar. Tami Schultz seconds motion. Motion approved as all members approve.
Old/New Business

- Patty Brostrom informed that MDE scheduled the audit appeal for July 20th, 2016 from 9am-4pm.
- A work session will be held May 11th at 4pm. Public notice will be posted.
- Christine Schnaser went before the board to inform that the graduation testing requirements should include assessment and SAT throughout the district.
  - Tami Schultz motions to approve the addition. Norman Lynskey seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.

- Becky Juntunen motions to adjourn meeting at 5:46pm. Patrick Dreher seconds motion. Motion carried as all members approve.