

NPSD Charter Governance Regular Board Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2024

The regular meeting of the NPSD Charter Governance Board, Ltd. was called to order by Emilie Braunel at seven thirty one a.m. (7:31 a.m.) on Thursday, May 16, 2024 at Northland Pines Community meeting room. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Present were Board members: Emilie Braunel, Kari Kirschbaum, Mike Wallner, Betty Wright, and Donna Cox. Quorum was established. Also present were Tony Duffek, St. Germain Elementary and NPMLC Principal, Carie Nodine, Land O' Lakes Elementary and SOAR MS Principal, Harlan Leusink, Director of Technology and SOAR HS Principal, Scott Foster, District Administrator, and Michele Hotmar, recording secretary.

Open Meeting Verification – Emilie Braunel stated that the meeting had been duly called with meeting notices posted at the following locations:

1. The Northland Pines High School and Middle School in Eagle River
2. The Northland Pines Elementary Schools in Eagle River, Land O' Lakes and St. Germain
3. The Vilas County Courthouse – Eagle River
4. The Eagle River City Hall
5. The Vilas County News Review-Eagle River

Approval of Agenda – MOTION by Betty Wright that the Board approves the agenda as presented and leaves the order to the discretion of the Chair. Second by Donna Cox. Voice vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Public Participation – There were no citizen comments.

Minutes of Past Meetings – MOTION by Kari Kirschbaum that the Board dispenses with the reading of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2024 and the Board approves the minutes as presented. Second by Mike Wallner. Voice vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Board Communication –

Administrative Report:

Tony Duffek - NPMLC: Written report

Carie Brock - SOAR MS: Written report

Harlan Leusink – SOAR HS: Written report

Finance Update: Each Charter School presented current budget and expenditures.

Discussion/Action items:

11a) Introduce SOAR HS Staff to Charter Governance Board Members: The SOAR HS staff was introduced.

11b) Approve 2024-2025 Building Budgets for NPMLC, SOAR MS and SOAR HS: Motion by Kari Kirschbaum to approve the 2024-2025 Building Budgets for NPMLC, SOAR MS and SOAR HS. Second by Betty Wright. Voice vote 5-0, motion carried.

11c) Approve Changes to Charter Schools Governance Board Handbook: There were no changes made to the handbook.

11d) Governance Board Positions Update: The Board will interview NPMLC parent representative and community member candidates at the June 20th meeting.

11e) NPSD US Department of Education Green Ribbon School Award: District Administrator, Scott Foster, shared with the Board the Green Ribbon School Award. The award is only given to 5 schools in the state of WI.

11f) Review Boards self-evaluation – take before June meeting: The Board was given the self-evaluation to take and bring back to the June meeting.

11g) Social and Emotional Learning Committee Update: This agenda item was tabled until the June 20th meeting.

11h) School Safety Update: District Administrator, Scott Foster, shared that the systems we have in place are working. Students and parents are talking to our SRO's and utilizing the Speak up, Speak Out, WI School Threat Reporting System.

12) Adjournment: MOTION by Donna Cox that the Board adjourn. Second by Kari Kirschbaum. Voice vote 5-0. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.