

BOARD NOTES: June 8, 2021 5:30pm, Regular Board Meeting, Sunset Ridge School

Items Approved: *5/11/21 Consent Agenda, 5/11/21 Closed Session Minutes*
Strategic Plan Contract (Battelle for Kids)
Resignation of Michelle Gidron (Teaching Assistant)
FMLA Request (Employee D)
2021-2022 Administrator and 12-Month Staff Salary Increases
2021-2022 Teaching Assistant Salary Schedule
Memorandum of Understanding with Sunset Ridge Education Association

ROLL CALL (5:31pm): Ms Alpert Knight, Mr Spaan, Ms Joseph, Mr Dotlzer, Mr Zeidler present

CONSENT AGENDA (5:32pm): The Board **approved** the Consent Agenda, including May 11th Regular Board Meeting minutes, and monthly bills and salaries.

COMMUNICATIONS (5:33pm): FOIA Spark Procure for purchases, Susan Kelly for 4/2021 board packet.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT (5:34pm): new agenda format, to give most important topics priority.

Strategic Planning Contract (5:36pm) Revised scope received 6/8 from Battelle. Proposal includes 6 phases, options for in-person (\$60K) vs travel from out of state (\$70K) and/or reduced scope of last phases (\$47K). General agreement on the reduced scope, flexibility. Will start after summer to give all a much needed break.

Approval: Strategic Plan Contract (Battelle for Kids) (5:48pm)

Preview of Summer 2021 Return to School Task Force Meetings (5:51pm) 4 meetings planned for over the summer. 5 Pillars are Health & Safety, Social-Emotional Wellness, Academic Supports, Professional Development, Communication. Priorities if conflicts: 1) health & safety, 2) support psychological needs, 3) on-going learning, 4) adequate staff resources, 5) on-going communication. General agreement on priorities (although all pillars must be addressed at the same time), constant evaluation/assessment, communications. Suggestions to use website for some content, and to outline of impact to scores and for schedules.

2021-2022 Enrollment and Staffing Updates (6:06pm) 40-child incoming Kindergarten class, 3 sections. 60-child 1st grade continues to be largest class in many years

School Updates (6:09pm)

Mrs. Keidasch Appreciated support throughout the year from BoE, parents, and administration. Great sendoff for 3rd grade graduation, including Northfield fire and police. Kindergarten welcome event in the building was successful. A few parents interested in kindergarten half-day startoff.

Dr. Sukenic Successful 8th grade graduation very successful despite threat of rain. 4th grade family tour upcoming (since parents have never seen school). Recruiting for science role is challenging. Doug Bolton & Laura Levine consulting on bridge training as foundation for engagement with teachers across grades and topics, in prep for strategic planning days. Learning community program seeded with colleague-to-colleague committee and professional development ideas, focus on Response-To-Intervention, mental health, cross-curricular connections, student motivation (all teacher-led). IDI assessment out now; Dr Stange and Mr Zeidler gave positive feedback; Dr Penny to present in August.

Dr Stange Finance update in memo, nothing abnormal this month. Tech security looks good so far.

NEW BUSINESS (6:20pm)

Audience Comments/Public Participation – no public comment or submitted letters

Board Open Discussion

Mr. Zeidler noted the next newsletter to come out end of July. Focus on year-in-review/pandemic-in-review, areas of improvement, graduation, retirements, new board members. May include strategic plan callout.

Mr. Spaan noted an interest an update on the environmental aspects of SRS (how is solar going, learning wall, etc). Dr. Stange noted the admin team has innovative plans for revising the wall, to be presented soon.

Ms. Alpert-Knight moved to avoid the last day of school for board meetings.

Internal Reports (6:25pm)

Return to School Task Force – Next meeting June 21, 2021

Finance Facilities – Next meeting July 13, 2021

Education – Next meeting September 14, 2021

Policy – Next meeting September 8, 2021

External Relations (6:26pm) – future updates primarily in memo form

IASB – no material report, no policy changes based on recent wave of signed legislation

PTO – no major report

True North / NSSD – rebrand in progress, Adelbert

Park District – splash pad open, June 23rd is grand opening, check park website for latest mandate updates

Village of Northfield – no report

Foundation Fund – upcoming meeting, fund is separate org focused on strategic fundraising (not ongoing)

CLOSED SESSION (6:34pm):

- To Review Closed Session Minutes from May 11, 2021
- To Consider Information Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees or Legal Counsel
- To Discuss Matters Related to Individual Students
- To Discuss Potential Litigation
- To Discuss Collective Bargaining

ACTION ITEMS FOR BOARD APPROVAL (8:30pm):

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Official meeting minutes will be posted on the website following their approval at the July 13, 2021, Regular Board meeting.