

# Tomorrow River Community Charter School Board Meeting

Monday, , 2012, 6:30 pm

Tomorrow River School District Office,  
357 North Main Street, Amherst, WI 54406



## MINUTES

	Present? / Excused?		Present? / Excused?
<b>Anne Abbott</b>	No/ No		
<b>Tina Giombetti</b>	X		
<b>Shannon Korger</b>	X		
<b>Laurie Low</b>	X		
<b>Other Attendees: Chamomile Nusz, LeAnn Chase, Mike Toelle, Thomas Hart, and Louise Pease</b>			

### 1. Call to Order – Gathering Verse, Laurie

The regular meeting of the Tomorrow River Community Charter School Board was called to order at 6:36 pm at the Tomorrow River School District Office in Amherst by Chair Laurie Low. Board members in attendance were: Tina Giombetti, Shannon Korger, and Laurie Low

### 2. Business

- Approve November 19<sup>th</sup> minutes
- Treasurer's report, SK - \$1,496.55
  - Discussion on video conferencing system, CN
    - Approved by WISN to get smaller system
    - Condensed version sans flat panel TV costs \$5,779.99, CTS-QSC20-W4-K9
    - New, more reliable computer based system, Cisco CTS-EX90-K9, approved by WISN. Cost \$7,261.99
      - Motion to approve purchase of Cisco system, SK, 2<sup>nd</sup> TG

- Discussion on computer labs
  - TRSD will give us their old computers when they upgrade
- Site Report, TG
  - Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting at UWSP - TRCCS Site Procurement Committee and representatives of the College of Natural Resources, School of Education, WI Center for Environmental Education, UWSP Administration, TRSD, and Lori Barian of TRCCS
  - TRCCS presented their philosophy and vision for TRCCS.
  - Discussion on why a partnership would be beneficial to all involved
  - Provost said to move ahead with contract talks
    - Next step is to develop M.O.U.- LC, MT, CN
    - CN do press release concerning Green School Award
- Discussion on Job Task Force immediate duties
  - Lead teacher can be paid through grant funds for curriculum development
    - Hire lead teacher so he/she can attend Alliance for Public Waldorf Schools Conference at end of January
  - Write job description for lead teacher – Lori Barian may have one
    - CN, LC, MT, and LB get description finalized
    - \$12,000 + benefits or consider hiring as consultant
      - Motion to hire lead teacher on consultant basis, SK, 2<sup>nd</sup> TG
  - Sign contracts for Planning Grant Coordinators
- Discussion on attorneys
  - Nicole Thibodeau of Boardman and Clark, Madison, WI
    - \$170/hr, \$225 if consulting with others
    - Referred by TRSD attorney
  - Kristopher Gotzmer of Sheboygan
    - \$225/hr but can be flexible on cost
    - Passionate about charter schools and helped develop school for his children

- Has worked with DPI and WISN
      - Move to approve hiring of Nicole Thibodeau, SK, 2<sup>nd</sup> TG
  - Discussion on Articles of Incorporation, CN
    - TG, SK, and CN sign documents
  - Discussion on Conflict of interest Policy (1<sup>st</sup> Reading), CN
3. Website Task Force, CN
- Discussion on website
4. Review Items
- Planning Grant Coordinator monthly report, CN and LB
  - Report on Visioning Session, LL
    - Haven't received Service agreement from WISN
  - Discussion on board retreat/intensive session dates, LL
    - Diana Bohman will also serve on TRCCS board
    - After holidays and lead teacher is hired
    - Include Drew?
  - Discussion on Reporting Session Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, CN
    - LL, CN, and MT going
  - Discussion on Foundation meeting with Nerissa Nelson at UWSP, LL
    - Explored database
    - Student, Vanessa, will complete one course credit by searching for grants for TRCCS and possibly writing one
  - Discussion on authorizer meeting December 13<sup>th</sup>
    - CN, LC, Diana Bohman and Mike Turner will attend
  - Discussion on school tour (2 hrs), Fox River Academy, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 9 am, CN
    - CN & MT will attend , and maybe LL & TG
5. Events – Valentine's Fund Raiser, TG

- Couples dinner to be held at Central Waters on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>
    - Authentic Italian dinner
    - Music provided by Galynne Goodwill
    - Rent dinnerware and tables and chairs from Rockman's Catering
      - Seek out volunteers for committee, CN
6. Google Apps for Education, CN
- CN will meet as needed with LL to tutor
7. Waldorf Documentary, CN
- 10 DVDs for \$100
  - circulate to parents and UWSP personnel
  - Hold viewings at Jensen Center in late January
  - Potentially have viewing at UWSP for faculty
8. Motion to Adjourn meeting 8:45 pm. LL

### **ACTION ITEMS**

MT, LC, CN develop M.O.U. Fro CWES site location

CN write up press release about Green School Award

CN, LC, MT, LB finalize lead teacher job description finalized

CN email Anne Conflict of Interest Policy

CN bios from AA & LL & Diana Bohman for website

SK email CN current website login

CN submit Planning Grant Coordinator Report further in advance

CN email Sara of WISN- use WISN \$ for James Lewicki charter writing

CN get Drew's contact info

CN garner volunteers for Valentine's Fund Raiser