



Tomorrow River Community Charter School Board Meeting
 Monday, March 18, 2013, 6:30 pm
 Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
 10186 County Road MM, Amherst Junction, WI 54407

MINUTES

	Present?		Present?
Laurie Low	X	Tom Quinn	X
Diana Bohman		Shannon Korger	X
Tina Giombetti	X	Kristy Stacy	X
Other Attendees: Chamomile Nusz			

1. Call to order - Gathering verse, Laurie
 The regular meeting of the Tomorrow River Community Charter School Board was called to order at 6:30 pm at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station in Amherst Junctions by Chair Laurie Low. Board Members in attendance were: Laurie Low, Shannon Korger, Tom Quinn, Kristy Stacy and Tina Giombetti (via Skype)
2. Business
 - a. Reviewed Agenda. Motion to approve agenda: TQ, KS 2nd. Approved.
 - b. March 4th Meeting Minutes
 - i. Clarify how the Treasurer's report will be recorded in the minutes.
 - ii. Motion to approve minutes, KS, 2nd SK. Minutes approved.
 - c. Next Meeting April 1st at 6:30 in the CWES.
 - d. Consensus Rule of Order for Meetings from this point forward
 - i. Motion to approve by TG, TQ 2nd.
 - ii. Guidelines for Consensus were included in the March 18th meeting packet, for reference.
 - iii. Facilitator role will be filled by Laurie at this time.
 - e. Treasurer's Report – Chamomile reviewed the reports for the 501(c)3 account first, then the Planning Grant spending. Reports are included in the March 18th meeting packet.
 - f. Site Report
 - i. No change to the status of the agreement – it is currently pending clarification from the TRSD (LeAnn)
 - ii. Rooms have been measured and Tina has drawn up scaled floorplans and will start mocking up proposed updates.
 - g. RSF Seed Fund Grant has been submitted
 - h. Implementation Grant is due April 15, 2013. We will vote to approve it on April 1 meeting, district board will vote on April 8 meeting.
 - i. Reviewed the Implementation Grant Budget that Chamomile has started drafting. Discussed some of the ideas that have been suggested to be included as capital purchases and additional cost research will be completed by Chamomile and Shannon.
 - i. Hiring Committee Report
 - i. There was a total of 6 applicants for Lead Teacher, but no one had Waldorf Training. Decided to not hire the Lead Teacher at this time, but open the classroom teacher positions and see if either a natural Lead Teacher emerges out of the hired pool or all teachers will work well as a Teacher Team instead.
 - ii. Letters will be sent to all applicants notifying them that the position will not be filled, but that they should apply for classroom teacher positions when they open.
 - iii. District must approve the job description, next meeting is April 8, and so the positions will be posted at that time.

- iv. Posting will be for about 3 weeks, and since that will be the time of the year that teachers are starting to look for jobs, the window doesn't have to be as long as the Lead Teacher Posting was.
 - v. Teachers will be interviewed, hired and asked to attend the retreat that is planned for early May.
 - j. Enrollment
 - i. 16 students are now enrolled, Pre-K: 9, K: 1, 1st: 0, 2nd: 4, 3rd: 1, 4th: 1
 - k. Bylaws Amendment
 - i. Per lawyer, Bylaws must be re-adopted because they were approved before we were an organization.
 - ii. Proposed changes:
 - 1. Purpose statement was expanded due to fundraising initiatives. Concerns regarding additional paperwork have been answered and confirmed that it would not increase our requirements. Also discussed that a lawyer doesn't generally advise frivolous wording and that it is likely a good update to adopt.
 - 2. Replaced Robert's Rules with Consensus.
 - 3. Article 4.02: Number of Board Members of the Corporation of up to 7 diverse members.
 - 4. Article 5.13: Employees of the TRCCS (Non-Voting Board Members). Held discussion regarding whether to allow teachers to participate as voting members of the board. No consensus was reached regarding this change.
 - 5. Add a reference to Board Member Expectations document, which could then be amended as a separate document with no Bylaws amendments needed.
 - iii. Determined that this would be the first reading of the proposed changes so new board members have a chance to fully read the bylaws before adopting any changes.
 - iv. Noted that the current standing committees are: Executive (no current members or meetings being held), Board Development (chair is Shannon), Public Relations and Funding (Laurie), School Operations (Tina).
 - l. Articles of Incorporation Amendment
 - i. Article 8: The same proposed change to the Purpose in the Bylaws was also suggested in the Articles of Incorporation and the wording was updated.
 - ii. All members approved the change. Chamomile will submit the paperwork to amend the Articles of Incorporation.
 - m. Appoint New Members to Committees
 - i. Hold off until the next meeting so new members have a chance to review and familiarize themselves with the committees and bylaws in general.
 - n. CWES Service Proposal
 - i. Tom proposed a number of professional development opportunities for anyone who wishes to attend that will be provided by CWES. Costs of the workshops are for a session with any number of attendees (see March 18th meeting packet for details). Implementation Grant can be used to cover these costs.
 - ii. All members approved support of the addition of the proposed session to the new grant.
 - o. Sharing TRCCS Contact List
 - i. Tom requested access to our student contact list to send mailings for the CWES Summer Camp and other camp opportunities.
 - ii. Chamomile advised against it since it is a very sensitive subject. Perhaps we can give parents the option at the annual meeting.
 - iii. Laurie would like parents to choose whether or not we provide their names to "like-minded organizations" for additional correspondence.
 - iv. We will include CWES activities in our newsletter and in packets we send out to our parents, but not give out the actual contact information.
 - v. All members approved the sharing of CWES materials with our parents, but only via our own newsletter, website or direct mailings.
3. Review Items
- a. Governance Board Retreat, March 9th

- i. Update the Strategic Plan to remove references to Lead Teacher, and instead call it the Teacher Team.
 - b. WISN Conference, March 12-14th
 4. Events and Fundraisers
 - a. Spring Festival, April 14th
 - i. Marionette show is being rehearsed by Laurie and her troupe.
 - ii. Classroom tours.
 - iii. Other activities being planned as well.
 - b. Movie Night, May 11th (Coincides with the CWES Summer Sampler event to draw more people to both events).
 - c. Lazure Painting Weekend, April 5-7th
 - i. All members approved Tina's attendance for this session (\$75), reimbursed through grant funds.
 5. Closing Items
 - a. Reviewed Action Items
 - b. Eurythmy
 6. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.