

"Rekindling our hope, exploring our world, seeking our path, while building our community"

Board Meeting – Northwest Passage High School #4049 2/20/24

Board members in attendance: Jason Olson, Jeff Schommer, Heidi Wold, Kurtis Heerema, Jolene Stolpestad, Steven Rippe (Virtual)

Others in attendance: Peter Wieczorek

Absent: Brandi Greer, Alyssa Dahlke, Jessica Henrich

Call to order: 5:30

Mission Statement: "Rekindling our hope, exploring our world, seeking our path, while building our community."

Non-Disclosure: *Agenda reviewed by members, no conflicts were noted.*

Approval of January Board Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the January minutes made by Heidi and seconded by Jeff. *No discussion. Motion passes 5-0.*

Public Comment: No comments

Treasurer's Report: Attached are the financial statements for January. Here are some things to consider when looking at the reports:

Summary of Key Indicators

- Average Daily Membership (ADM) Overview –
 - Revised Budget: 148 ADM
 - YTD Budget: 144 ADM
- The school's revised budget shows an annual surplus of \$273,713, resulting in a projected fund balance of \$932,515 or 36% of current-year expenditures.
- Projected Days Cash on Hand for the fiscal year-end is 179 days. Above 45 days meets best practices.
- Projected Debt Service Coverage Ratio at fiscal year-end is 1.28. Above 1.10x meets best practices.

Financial Report Key Points

- As of month-end, 58.3% of the year was complete.
- Cash Balance as of the reporting period is \$995,189, which is down from the previous month. Revenues received at end of the reporting period – 62.78%
- Expenditures disbursed at end of the reporting period – 52.41%

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report for January made by Jeff, seconded by Jolene. *No discussion. Motion passes 5-0*

Director's Report:

Program Highlights

- Graduate - Taylor Hamilton
- Innovators of the Month - Marvin and Easton
- Professional Development - BrightWorks - MTSS
- Building Hope Impact Award Semi-Finalist

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- Student Conferences 84%
- Expeditions
 - Duluth
 - Winter Camping
 - Louisiana
- DNR - No Student Left Inside Grant \$3600
- BrightBeam Documentary
- Prom - Fundraisers
- SHIP Grant - Seating & D&D
- Community Day
- MAAP Conference
 - School of the Year
- Community Expo
- Center for School Change and Youth Build Tour

Enrollment/Recruiting

- Community Expo
 - Culminate with a Registration Kick-off on Feb. 13 - Community Expo
 - Goal 40+ HW students by April 1st
 - 7 families attended - all 7 enrolled
 - ~ 15 currently enrolled
- Monthly Info Nights March 26
- Info Nights February 27 at Beacon Academy
- 3 new students started this week
- SkillMammoth Video

Authorizer Updates

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Legislative Updates

- See flier

Building Updates

- JB Vang & Building Committee at CR City Planner Meeting
- Bi-Monthly Meetings
 - Potential Sites Shared
- First meeting with ABC board
- Projections

(NWEA - Reading 67%, Math 68%)

Old Business - Calendar Approval

- A motion was made to approve the calendar for January made by Jolene, seconded by Heidi. *No discussion. Motion passes 5-0*

New Business

- A. Director Goals Revision
- B. Director Evaluation - Review Questions
- C. Facility Update

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- a. Better news from city planning meeting with regards, zoning will need to be changed for the current site.
- b. Multiple options/sketches will become available in future meetings
- D. Strategic Planning Options
 - a. Separate meeting to plan out the future of NWPHS
- E. Upcoming Events
 - a. WI/MN Spring 2024 TPS Day - Apr 20
 - i. 10:00-2:30
 - b. Explore Your World Fundraiser/25th Celebration - May 4
 - c. Graduation May 30 - 6:00 pm
 - i. Courtyards of Andover

Future Agenda Items

- A. Director Review
- B. J.B. Vang

Adjournment - *Motion to adjourn made by Jeff, seconded by Heidi No discussion, motion passes 5-0.*

Adjourned: 6:56

Jason Olson, Board Chair

Alyssa Dalhke, Secretary