

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

Board Meeting – Northwest Passage High School #4049 4/16/24

Board members in attendance: Jason Olson, Jeff Schommer, Heidi Wold, Kurtis Heerema, Brandi Greer, Steven Rippe, Jolene Stolpestad

Others in attendance: Peter Wieczorek,

Absent: Alyssa Dahlke, Jessica Henrich (Virtual Attendance)

Call to order: 5:31

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 March Board Meeting Minutes: A motion to approve the March minutes was made by Brandi and seconded by Heidi. *No discussion. Motion passes 6-0*

Public Comment: No comments

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

Summary of Key Indicators

- Average Daily Membership (ADM) Overview
 - Revised Budget: 148 ADM
 - Working Budget: 145 ADM
 - YTD Actual: 145 ADM
- The school's working budget shows an annual surplus of \$288,090, resulting in a projected fund
- balance of \$946,893 or 35.9% of current-year expenditures.
- Projected Days Cash on Hand for the fiscal year-end is 145 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, 75% of the year was complete.
- Cash Balance as of the reporting period is \$1,077,196, which is down from the previous month.
- Revenues received at the end of the reporting period - 77.7%
- Expenditures disbursed at the end of the reporting period - 68%

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for March was made by Kurtis and seconded by Brandi. *No discussion. Motion passes 6-0*

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Director's Report:

Program Highlights

- MCA Testing

	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Math</u>
○ Opt-Out	9 28%	6 26%
○ Student Refusal	3 9%	4 17%
○ Need to complete	11 34%	4 17%
○ Finished testing	9 28%	9 39%
- Access Testing 100%
- Expeditions
 - Nebraska Crane Migration - Making connections for future cream migrations.
 - Model UN - It was a great experience and challenge for students to represent countries.
 - Washington D.C.
- Staff Development - Priority Areas from staff for 2024-25
 - Advisory
 - Student Led PBL
 - Monthly Community Days
- Brightbeam Documentary - Lots of footage and they were super impressed with the school.
- Prom this Friday - We have a new venue and some food options.
- Building Hope Impact Awards - Peter in Florida April 22-26
 - NWPBS is a finalist.
- Explore Your World - Saturday, May 4th, 11:30-2:00
- Projects, Pedagogy, and Play - Friday, May 10th
- Graduation is on May 30th at 6:00 pm at the Courtyards of Andover.

Enrollment/Recruiting

- April 2nd - 4 new registrations
- April 23 Next Info Night
- New campaign with MyStoryTeller
 - What is a charter school and what makes us unique?
- St. Cloud job fair
- Two new hires

Authorizer Updates

- Q3 Report

Legislative Updates

- The cell phone ban bill is getting traction.

Old Business

- Direction Evaluation and Work Agreement

A motion to approve the Director Work Agreement was made by Brandi and seconded by Jeff. *No discussion. Motion passes 6-0*

New Business

- A. Director Goals
- B. Building Updates
 - a. JB Vang opened a discussion with Premier Commercial Properties.
 - b. JB Vang walk-through will take place on April 17 to discuss updated plans.
- C. University of St. Thomas Q3 Report
- D. Away for the Day

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- E. Upcoming Events
 - a. Explore Your World/25th Anniversary - May 4th, 11:30 am-2:00 pm
 - b. Graduation - May 30th at 6:00 pm at the Courtyards of Andover
- F. Board member training - Course 200 Charter School Finances
 - a. A Public Trust

Future Agenda Items

- A. Board Retreat survey

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made by Jeff and seconded by Steven. *No discussion, motion passes 7-0.*

Adjourned: 7:07 pm

Jason Olson, Board Chair

Kurtis Heerema, Secretary