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Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting
June 13, 2018

Board Members in Attendance: Sonja Berven, Kia Britain, Malcolm Currie, Michelle Jacobs, Mohamed Khayre, Erica Bentley, Fadumo Abdullahi

Board Members Absent: None

Others in Attendance: Brenda Kes, Brianna Lee, Tracie Gillund, Ayan Jama, Annie Pass, Rachel Ganacudio, Khadijah Wilson, Marlene Jangula, Yusur Adan, Saynab Mohamed, Amira Abdullahi, Fadumo (no last name given), Sainab Sayliye (illegible) Antonio Cardona, Larry McKenzie

1. Call to Order
 - a. S. Berven called the meeting to order at 4:40 PM

2. Reading of the Vision, Mission, & Values

3. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. E. Bentley motions to approve the agenda with flexibility
 - b. M. Jacobs seconds
 - c. Motion passes unanimously

4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 4, 2018
 - b. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 7, 2018
 - c. Minutes--Board meeting May 9, 2018
 - d. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 10, 2018
 - e. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 11, 2018
 - f. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 16, 2018
 - g. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 23, 2018
 - h. Minutes--Special Board meeting May 29, 2018
 - i. Minutes--Special Board meeting June 6, 2018
 - j. Minutes--Special Board meeting June 11, 2018
 - k. M. Jacobs motions to approve the consent agenda
 - l. E. Bentley Seconds
 - m. Motion passes unanimously

5. Public Comment
 - a. Rachel Ganacudio: Applicant for ED wanted to view a board meeting
 - b. Annie Pass (Literacy Teacher's Assistant): Offers support to the board and is excited to be a part of the change at CRCS

- c. Ayan Jama (Parent liaison): Offers support to the board, challenges to board to make our school what it needs to be, we want our students to come back to a school that is functional and supports our families, she has struggled watching our students not get the education that they need and our staff not get the support that they need, parents are asking the board to change the situation, some of the board members are teachers as well and work hard to meet our students' needs and want to make our students excited to go to school, The board members have really stepped up and helped make the end of the year a good one
- d. Yusur Adan (Parent): We as families support the board and love having our kids at this school
- e. Khadijah Wilson (Teacher's Assistant): As a student teacher in this school she has been very encouraged and excited by the culturally responsive teaching at this school
- f. Tracie Gillund (Former Teacher): She loves this school and all of the people who are running the board, She left because of the administration, She is really excited for where the board is going to take the school
- g. Brianna Lee (Art Teacher): It was hard to watch the third grade students get stripped of their education due to the administration, The board has driven a positive change in our school
- h. Marlene Jangula (Former Lunch Coordinator): It was a really awful lunch situation, She was asked to ignore behaviors, She had no authority, She supports the board and the hard decisions that they have had to make, The parents are pleased with the changes that have been made so far

6. Old Business

- a. Summer School
 - i. Discussed enrollment and financial viability of program
 - ii. K. Britain makes motion to ask Jennifer Weber to present at next board meeting with a plan for recruitment, academics and evaluation
 - iii. M. Currie seconds
 - iv. Motion passes unanimously
- b. 2018-2019 Budget Proposal
 - i. LEP budgeted 95 students
 - ii. Added math specialist, food service coordinator, increases in food service for new caterer, increase in transportation costs, decrease in erate, small increase in revenue, flat enrollment growth
 - iii. Brenda Kes recommends adopting deficit budget and work on increasing revenue, still within fund balance policy
 - iv. Will discuss further at next meeting

7. New Business

- a. Financial Report through May 2018
 - i. operating cash on hand (79 days)
 - ii. 92% of line items are spent
 - iii. Declining pupil units funds increased
 - iv. K. Britain motions to approve revised budget with 169 ADM
 - v. M Currie seconds
 - vi. Motion passes unanimously
 - vii. S. Berven motions to approve Monthly Financials
 - viii. M. Currie seconds
 - ix. Motion passes unanimously

b. Pillsbury United Communities

i. Antonio Cardona and Larry MacKenzie spoke on behalf of PUC:

1. During a moment of transition Pillsbury tries to take on more of a role in the school
2. It is good that this meeting is scheduled at 4:30 to create more transparency
3. There should be more board training, which was previously requested by director
4. Cited complaints regarding lack of diversity among the board members, white supremacy within the school and lack of trust of board members
5. Public comment Ayan Jama: Many of these problems came from the previous executive director not solving conflict between staff and parents
6. Pillsbury representatives stated they do not wish to discuss issues with previous director but look to the future
7. Pillsbury offers a recommendation: hire an interim director and create a committee to go on a learning journey exploring our vision for the school and hire a transitional team to facilitate the process
8. S. Berven requested Pillsbury will send out their recommendation in writing through an email and they agreed

8. Board Updates

a. Board training opportunities

- i. MSBA one day training
- ii. Orientation for E. Bentley took place on 6/8/18
- iii. Orientation for F. Abdullahi took place on 6/12/18

9. Committee Reports

a. School Behavior Philosophy Committee

- i. No Report

10. Director's Report

- a. No report

11. Adjourn Meeting

- a. Next regular Board meeting is July 11, 2018 at 4:30 PM
- b. M. Currie motions to adjourn meeting
- c. K. Britain seconds
- d. Motion passes unanimously
- e. Meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM