



MINUTES
VSWEA Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024
VIA [Zoom](#)

Members Present:

Dan Franks (DF)—President
April Sauer (AS)—Vice President
Ashley Parks (AP)—Secretary
Myriah Moon (MM) -- Treasurer

John Tanner (JT)
Danielle Martinez (DM)
Paula Cummings (PC)

Members Absent: Nellie Grossenbacher

The President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer were present, and a quorum was reached.

Guests

Invitees of the Board:
Frank Mirizio (FM)
Michelle Kratzer (MK)

Members of the public present via Zoom/Registration through Google Forms:

Andrea Foster
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Josh Wagner
Kristen's iPhone
Tammy/tom

Opening Verse/Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. DF read the opening verse and welcomed the attendees.

The Board members introduced themselves as well as FM.

Executive Director Updates

FM We are entering the last quarter and everyone is happy to be back from spring break. We are having a problem with the septic tank near the front office. FM Discusses how the septic tank works and what is wrong with the tank. FM There are two options, we either replace/repair the cylinder or trench from the high school and connect to the county sewer. We cannot complete either until summer. DF What would the path look like through the school? FM It would have to go around the pond. It is the more expensive option.

FM There are 275 enrolled for next year and we are waiting on several to finish their enrollment. The high school still needs some growth. DF Do we know if any of these students are registering in multiple schools? FM No, we have to use the state form and it does not have a space for that question.

FM Multiple plays are happening in the coming weeks, several field trips, eighth grade and high school trips are being planned, may day, and graduations. The next eight weeks are very busy. It is an exciting time of year.

Proposed Motions

DF moved to approve the 2/29/24 regular meeting minutes. DM second. No further discussion. Unanimous vote in favor: DF, AS, AP, MM, DM, JT, PC. **Motion passes.**

DF moved to approve the contracting and cost of \$15,000 for the proposed auditor. AS second. No further discussion. Unanimous vote in favor: DF, AS, AP, MM, DM, JT, PC. **Motion passes.**

Continuing Business/Open Issues

Parent Council Update

MK We had our Spring Faire, thank you for all your help. It was very successful, roughly about \$10,000 was made for Parent Council. Thank you to all the volunteers as well.

MK We will be having a rummage sale on April 13th. Each class will be gathering donations and then sell them to benefit their own class. More information will be coming out soon from your class rep.

LDC Update

DF I was not able to get a hold of someone in time to provide us with an LDC update. PC I can quickly go through the notes if you would like. DF That would be great. PC We discussed many things in the LDC over the past few weeks. These items included the Spring Faire and its success, a discussion of the calendar, the contracts that should be going out to employees, if the state will be giving any increases to schools, the need for an LDC member to join the conferences/reviews, and the Title 1 forms. Group discussion of the free and reduced lunch forms and how to get more parents to fill it out. AP and FM decide to have a meeting to discuss further.

PC A few additional items that were spoken about in the LDC meetings were in regards to testing, the Charters at the Capital and its success, and ways in which to market our school. We also spoke about the lack of budget for music and ways in which to include it in the curriculum. FM has approved parents to pay for these services within the classroom. In our future meetings we will be talking about pedagogy in the high school and retirement plans.

Survey Refresh Update

DF We requested changes. Did that occur or do we need time? DM I have simplified questions, minor changes, and we added in a “not sure”. Any additional input? DF I will review and get back to you.

Board Application Plan

AP spoke about the timeline for the board applications. There will be a reminder email going out on the 25th and all applications are due by April 1, 2024.

ACC/ASBCS/ DMS Website Officer Corrections Update

DF AS has already done all the needed corrections. I will be updating everything else this week.

New Business

Arizona Council for Waldorf Education Meeting

DM FM did you discuss this with staff? Are you planning on attending? FM I will be attending for sure. DM Wonderful, thank you!

Announcements

DF Good Friday 03/29/2024 no school for the day. Next board meeting 4/17/24 at 6:30pm via zoom. Pirates of Penzance performed by the high school 3/22/24 and 3/23/24.

MM I just wanted to say thank you to parent council for the wonderful spring faire. DM I agree, thank you! PC Thank you to parent council for all the work that you do!

FM Oh I forgot to mention about the Senior Project presentations. We were all impressed. They were simply outstanding. Thank you to PC for all the work you did for that.

Motion to Adjourn

DF moved to adjourn the 3/20/24 VSWEA board meeting. DM second. No further discussion. Unanimous vote in favor: DF, AS, AP, MM, DM, JT, PC. **Motion passes.**

Closing Verse

AS read the closing verse.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm.

Prepared by AP on 3.20.2024