

KNOVA LEARNING OREGON (RPA)
Board of Directors Regular Meeting- Minutes
[Tuesday, DEC 12th 4:00 PM. Student Services Building

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Nelsen at 4PM

Present: All Directors were present, Staff: Nelsen, Pescitelli, Danielle and Devon Barnard, Maria and Jason McCollum.

Board Announcements:

- ❖ **Passing of Dennis Teide.** Mr. Nelsen took a moment to remember Dennis Teide. Dennis was a founder of our school and a long time charter school supporter. He will be missed by friends and family.
- ❖ **OR3CA Conference:** Mr Nelsen, Mrs. McCollum, Mrs. Barnard and Directors Salami and Kurzenhauser recently attended the Oregon Coalition of Community Charter School's annual conference Nov 30-Dec 1st Report-out by participants. They all reported about their experience. Mr Nelsen discussed joining and is considering either "associate" or "full" membership.
- ❖ Mr. Nelsen gave **kudos to Dane Dykeman** who recently planned and executed an innovative "school fair" during parent-teacher conferences. Dane went over and beyond by securing a \$1,000 donation from On-Point Community Credit Union!

Reports and Deliberations

- **Campus valuation Report:** Immediately prior to our meeting Mr. Nelsen received the new campus valuation from Sam Romanaggi of Romanaggi Valuation Services, LLC. The value of the campus was assessed at 9 million dollars. The directors and leadership will be reviewing the report (sent to directors via e-mail) in preparation for the Jan. BOD meeting discussion of refi options. Exciting!
- **RFP Closes:** Mr. Nelsen reported that recently closed Design-Build RFP solicitation yielded three "responsive" proposals/bids. Directors Pete, Preston, and Catherine along with the maintenance team and principals will join John in reading and scoring bids. Readers will submit the score sheet to John by 12-19. John will set up a meeting during winter break to discuss among readers and come up with a recommendation for the BOD at the Jan meeting.
- **Campus Refi:** David Robertson will be at our Jan BOD meeting with proposals and campus value in hand. The BOD should be well prepared to consider which re-fi instrument (Bond, Conventional, etc.) to choose at our January BOD meeting.
- **ODE Early Literacy Grant Application and SIA 22-23 Annual Report:** Mrs Barnard will provide a brief overview of these grant programs and others. The BOD discussed various funds and uses for grants.
- **Star Testing 2nd Window Results:** Title I Coordinator Nicole Pescitelli reported that while RPA performance against other STAR tested Reynolds schools remain very strong, we need to see more student growth in order to meet our goals. Directors discussed strategies and asked questions.
- **Enrollment:** Mr Nelsen reported that November ended with enrollment down only 1 student to 371!
- **Oregon Charter School Dissolution:** Mr. Nelsen shared a handout of "charter school dissolution"
- **Oct. and Nov. 2023 Financials** (sent to directors in separate email.) will be reviewed/discussed.

Public to Be Heard: there were no public member present

Action Items

- o Dir. Kurzenhauser made a motion to accept minutes from the October 2023 BOD meeting. Fladoos 2nd (passes 6-0)
- o Dir. Kurzenhauser made a motion to accept the October and November 2023 financials and check register as provided by True Blue Accounting. Fladoos 2nd (passes 6-0)

5:28 Meeting Adjourned

NEXT MEETING: January 9th, 2024 @4pm