



Draft Board Meeting Minutes
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Tuesday, February 15, 2022

Welcome & Roll Call: Tim Matlick, Pat Donovan, Nicole Wetzel, Kim Sia, David Singer, and Alison Griffen joined in person. Chad Miller, Casey McComsey, Rosemary Rodriguez, and Karega Rausch joined via Zoom.

Arkan Haile & Erin Kane were absent.

Dan Schaller, Teresa Tate, Mark Heffner, and Peter Mason in person as staff.

Laura Calhoun joined virtually as a guest.

Call to Order: Tim called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Alison made a motion to approve the agenda and Kim seconded. Alison made a motion to approve the December board meeting minutes, David seconded. They were both approved unanimously.

Finance Committee Update:

Kim shared that we are on target with budget, the conference was running a bit behind, but now is ahead with registrations over 670. She also shared that we've had some new fund come in recently.

Dale joined at 3:18 pm.

Stakeholder Committee Update:

Teresa gave an update on the board election, candidates and process. David & Dan shared the progress on filling the next appointed seat vacancy.

Governmental Affairs Committee Update:

Dan shared several legislative updates. He shared that the draft memo regarding our position on the collective bargaining draft legislation and that it does not seem to have the governor's support. Dan reviewed the draft memo on our proposed special ed legislation that will likely be introduced on February 18th. He also shared that we have two house democrats in support of the bill and met with a K-12 stakeholder community group this week to garner support. The League is currently debating if we will pursue the CSI taxing district proposal based on recent updates. Lastly, the current budget proposal includes a 6% PPR increase in the governor's budget.

Executive Committee Update:

Tim shared that they reviewed a letter for the executive bargaining bill and gave some edits.

Staff Report:

Dan shared a few recent positive developments.

- We received some positive news on funding
- We were interviewed on public radio this week for Colorado Matters



- Ready Colorado shared a recent poll showing that the public favors charters 4:1
- Keystone Policy Center is rolling out a study on charter school performance through the pandemic
- We have 8 current schools in the pipeline to open in Fall of 2023.

Teresa shared a staffing update. We have a new Director of Regional Advocacy, Lauren Freemire who started on January 31st. She also shared the 2 current openings at the League and asked for any referrals that anyone has. Lastly, she shared that Kaci Coats will be transitioning this month to a part-time League consultant so she can begin her own consulting work. She will continue to work with the League on a part-time basis ongoing to continue to offer exceptional student support to our member schools.

Pete shared the Hall of Fame categories.

Dan shared an update on the revised League Principals that have been updated based on the Board Retreat from last fall.

Discussion Items:

Dan shared a review of the draft Qualified Membership Criteria based on the feedback from the Board Retreat. Board members asked questions and provided suggestions on the draft including determining the target audience for the information.

Pete shared plans for rebranding the League.

Dan shared an overview of a policy draft for opportunity schools. The concept is a focus on shifting resources to our highest performing schools while aligning to the League's Principles. Board members provided brief feedback on the concept.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was called for by Tim. Nicole made the motion, it was seconded by Kim. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the League board will be April 26th.