



Board Meeting Minutes
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Tuesday, April 27, 2021

Welcome & Roll Call: Andy Franko, Chad Miller, Nicole Wetzel, Dale Chu, Casey McComsey, David Singer, Kim Sia, Arkan Haile, Susan Marshall and Pat Donovan joined via Zoom.

Tim Matlick and Alison Griffin were absent.

Dan Schaller, Teresa Tate, Mark Heffner, Peter Mason and Angelina Sandoval participated via Zoom as staff.

Call to Order: Andy called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

Dan requested a motion to approve the minutes from February which was made by Susan and seconded by Nicole. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Finance Committee Update:

Mark presented an overview of the current financials. He shared there are grants that have come in late in the year and will still be trickling in through the fourth quarter. He stated we are projecting \$100,000 net contribution from these late grants. Mark shared that we have begun the FY22 preliminary budget. Mark lastly shared that we have received loan forgiveness on the Paycheck Protection Program as of April 5th. This equates to a \$390,000 loan that has been forgiven.

Chad shared how tough of a year it has been and how impressed he is with how the League has bounced back.

Stakeholder Committee Update:

David shared that following the board election, the committee prioritized current board needs and would like to recommend Rosemary Rodriguez and Terrance Carroll for the two appointed seat vacancies. Terrance would take over Joyce's vacancy with a remaining year on the term. He would then be eligible to renew for another term. Rosemary would fill Andy's vacant seat effective in August for a 3-year term.

David made a motion to approve the appointment of Terrance and Rosemary to the League Board. Nicole seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Teresa shared a summary of the recent membership survey. There were 50 responses with an overall satisfaction rating of 88%, an increase of 4% over the previous year. 98% of respondents indicated they plan to continue as League members for next year.

Governmental Affairs Committee Update:

Dale shared that the committee ran through several bills, focusing primarily on the Bacon bill and the budget.

Angelina and Dan provided a summary on these and a few other key bills. They shared that the Bacon bill is trying to remove the appeal rights of charters. We've had over 10,000 emails sent in so far and hope to stop this at the Education Committee level. Dan shared we are still expecting a 9.7% increase in PPR in the new budget which would get the schools' back to pre-pandemic levels. He also shared that capital construction did not have the 15% reduction that was estimated and instead, are only looking at a 3% reduction. Additionally, moral obligation was signed by the Governor



which is great win. Lastly, there is a new proposal out there that would require all public employees to have collective bargaining. The League has been working with CASE & CASBE on countering this proposal.

Executive Committee Update:

Andy shared that the committee met and discussed Dan's evaluation process and moved the timeframe for his next evaluation to the end of June to align with the fiscal year. Andy & Alison will complete his next evaluation and bring to the board in June.

Staff Report:

Pete provided an update on the final outcomes the annual conference including attendance and financials. Total attendance was 734 and the final net matched the budget.

Dan shared the data dashboard on staff progress toward the annual organizational goals. Board members responded that they felt the team did amazing in a really tough year.

Dan shared an updated on the office move. We are still in a month-to-month lease and looking for new locations in the capital hill area. We are looking for a space with 4 offices and open space recognizing that we will continue to work remotely part of the time.

Dan shared a Strategic Snapshot with the board. It included current strengths and weaknesses of the charter sector and the League. He additionally highlighted potential focus areas for the next 2-3 years along with some strategies for achieving these goals.

Board members offered some feedback on the goals and strategies:

Chad likes the idea of a Member Council. He feels the 6 school reps on the board don't always represent all views. It would be good to add additional representation.

Nicole agreed that a Member Council would be positive for the members as long as it wasn't too much work for the League.

Pat shared he felt the Member Council could be a great pipeline for future board members.

David suggested that when coming back to the board with the detailed strategies, to focus in on those that are the highest priority. The list seemed quite long and may not all be possible in one year.

Dan confirmed he would bring back further details in May and/or June.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Susan. It was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:39 pm.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the League board will occur on Tuesday, May 25, 2021. We are hoping to hold the June board meeting in person.