



COMMUNITY ACADEMY

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Mission: Inspiring students to achieve high academic success while embracing Hmong language and culture.

HOPE Community Academy

April 22, 2021

Board Minutes

Present: Don Lorr, John Yang, Mai Vang, Andy Grover, Ka Zoua Yang, Hlies Scully, and Sia Lo

Absent:

Staff: Cindy Yang, Maychy Vu, Sheila McGuire, Deborah Fonkert, Yer Yang, Sean Sitek, Kalia Vang, Xong Lor

Others:

The meeting convened at 5:02 pm

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda

III. ***MOTION:*** ***Sia moved*** and ***Don seconded*** the motion to approve the agenda with the correction. No discussion. Motion carried.

Andy: Yes Hlies: Yes Ka: Yes Mai: Yes

IV. Approval of March 25, 2021 Minutes and April 15, 2021 Minutes

Consent Agenda-

Finance Committee- Fix grammar errors

MOTION: ***Mai moved*** and ***Don seconded*** the motion to approve March 25, 2021 and April 15, 2021 Minutes with the correction. No discussion. Motion carried.

Andy: Yes Hlies: Yes Ka: Yes Sia: Yes

V. Community Comments

1) Science Curriculum Adoption Presentation – Deborah Fonkert, Xong Lor, Sheila McGuire, Sean Sitek, Kalia Vang, Yer Yang

- a. The Science committee shared their process of selecting the curriculum for science. There were 3 curriculums that met the school standard and was piloted in the classrooms. From the three curriculums, the Science Committee has chosen Stem Scope (K-12) and Mystery Science (extension for K-5). These two curriculums will be more engaging and hands on for students. The Stem Scopes allows students to create theories, and they will be able to test their theory and discuss it. The Mystery Science will be an extension for K-5th grades. It is

excellent for building background/deeper questions, building curiosity and getting student to talk. The lessons are great for family engagement.

VI. Consent Agenda

There was none.

VII. Committee Reports

1) Executive Committee

a. There was no meeting

2) Board Operations Committee

a. Finalize Annual meeting. Voting ballots were mailed out on time.

b. Reviewed last year goals and develop goals for this year.

3) Finance Committee

- March 2021 Summary Report
- March 2021 Summary Income Statement
- March 2021 Balance Sheet
- March 2021 Payment Register

Sia Lo went over the financials. See the attached March 2021 Financial Statements and Supplemental Information Report provided with the meeting material.

The Board reviewed, discussed and filed the financial report subject to audit.

VIII. Existing Business

There was none.

IX. New Business

1) Executive Director Report

a. Curriculum and Instructional Program: Science Curriculum Adoption Presentation (see handout)

b. Student Enrollment: 586 (Projected 585)

c. ESSER Funds – Round 2: \$696,888.89 expires 9/30/23

d. UST Update:

i. UST Spring site visit: May 5, 2021

e. Strategic Plan: Dashboard Updates: March 2021

KPIs and Milestones: Many areas are completed. Areas that are not yet completed are the ACCESS and MCA test results, and the spring surveys for parents, staff and students.

f. Construction Status: The renovation of the existing building is on schedule. The construction is also on schedule, with the addition of working some Saturdays to make up the lost days due to the weather.

2) Plus/Delta



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3) Others

- X. Closed Session: ED's Professional Development Plan
- XI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 5:00 pm via Zoom