



## FOCUS ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 26, 2024

Minutes

4:30 p.m.

**Roll Call:** James Rossman - Chair Beth Bondi McIntyre, James Ballard, Doug Amoroso, and Karl Langefeld.

Absent Ildes Sotelo and Kirsten Fischer

### **Meeting called to order**

Board Chair James Rossman called the meeting to order at 4:45p.m. Present were board members James Ballard, Karl Langefeld, Doug Amoroso, and Beth McIntyre. Staff members Josephine Isenbergh Loretta Gallo-Lopez Elizabeth Kraft and Megan Z. were present. Clay Clemens of the Project Focus Foundation was also present.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

Board member Mr. Langefeld made the motion, Ms. McIntyre seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT-** No members of public present, no public comment

**BOARD CHAIR COMMENTS-** No comments

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Financial and Compensation Committee:

- Reviewed the district financial budget in meeting.
- Discussed headcount and student enrollment .
- School Lunch Program runs at a significant deficit. Paid lunch offers Minimal relief to the deficit.

Governance Committee: Did not meet.

Marketing, Advocacy and Fundraising: Did not meet.

#### **ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

- Mental health team is strong.
- New staff was complimented.
- Grant approved for mental health program- Details will be announced at Gala.
- Aggressive campaigns will be done for enrollment, buy a mailing list, Facebook Ads, social media, campaigns.
- Discussed a higher level of security ensuring how doors must be closed and locked at all times and disciplinary action for staff who do NOT Comply.
- Ms. McCrimmon was still listed on DCFU Account, Bank, Requires Board approval to remove her from account.

#### **PROJECT FOCUS REPORT BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

- Discussed Gala ticket sales & increase in sponsorship.
- Encourage board members to attend Gala- Max capacity 175 • Connections made throughout the community to help support Focus Academy Transition Program.
- Focus Academy was awarded two grants for Technology and Mental Health.

#### **Old Business**

No old business

#### **New Business**

No new business

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- Mr. Ballard made a motion to approve 4/22/2024 and 7/31/2024, Mr. Langefeld seconded. Approved unanimously.
- Mr. Ballard made a motion to approve 24/2025 school budget, Ms. McIntyre seconded. Approved unanimously.
- Mr. Amoroso made a motion to approve 23/24 Employee Bonus Distribution, Mr. Lagefeld seconded. Approved unanimously. • Ms. McIntyre made a motion to remove former Principal Fran McCrimmon from the DFCU Bank Account, Ms. Ballard seconded. Approved unanimously.

#### **FOCUS MOMENT:**

- Meagan Tucker Z. discussed the Sunshine Committee and the Woot Woot Wagon.
- The Board toured the new renovations of the facility.

**Upcoming Events**

Gala

**Adjournment:** Mr. Rossman made a move to adjourn; Ms. McIntyre seconded, meeting Adjourned 5:25p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings:** September 23rd, 2024, October 21st, 2024, November 18th, 2024, and December 9th, 2024

Minutes taken and prepared by Jennifer Cain, approved by board vote and confirmed by signature below.

*James M. Rossman*

Print Name Title

*Chair*

*Jennifer Cain*

Signature Date

*Sep 23, 2024*