

Juniper Ridge Community School  
Minutes of the Board of Stewards  
10/18/16

In Attendance - Patrick Ebel, Nicole Miller, George Rau, Donald Samson, Pam Middlemas, Krista Kuncir, Cathy Staten, Mary and Kresta (teachers)

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm

Opening Verse

Welcome Guests - Mary gave a description of herself. She was here half of last year as a sub and this year is teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Described the activities occurring in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Her experience is in Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades and gifted, mainly in public and charter schools. Loves this method of teaching.

Kresta is new to the school as a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. Very happy & excited to be here. Moved from Utah where she had a bad experience and thought she would not teach again. She has taught since 1998, but never in a Waldorf school. She loves the environment here and looks forward to Gradalis training next year.

Assignment of duties

Facilitator:	Krista
Co Facilitator	Nicole
Stack Taker	Pam
Minutes	Cathy
Agenda Collector	Pam
Task Keeper	Nicole

Approved August Minutes

Approved the Agenda

Committee Reports:

Director's Report - Patrick E.

- See attached.

Finance Committee report - George R.

- Finance committee met last week to review the financial reports for August.
- Got a windfall check from D51.
- We're on track where we need to be
- Rather than buying the land for the new school, we have asked for a 1 year extension of the contract to purchase the land by making the \$10,000 deposit forfeitable. Justin is negotiating with the property owner.
- Patrick brought copies of the annual audit for those who are interested in reading it.

- George explained that the PERA liabilities are reflected on the financial statements, required by Financial Auditing Standards, which make us look bad. But all CO schools are required to disclose their share of the liability.

#### Resource Development - Nicole

- Added Brenda to the committee & she's taking it over. She will still need Board involvement and other volunteers
- Brenda is planning the Annual Give
- They have filed a Western CO Community Foundation grant application for a commercial sewing machine

Task List - Nicole went thru the list.

SAC - Patrick is trying to recruit additional members. Then will set up a meeting.

#### Fall Retreat - George

- Eugene Schwartz will skype in to discuss "How to create a great Waldorf School"
- John Renza, Ex Superintendent of Eagle County Schools, now staff for League of Charter Schools will facilitate
- SWOT analysis - Nicole will send out notes from our previous SWOT analyses in prior retreats
- Board assessment - make sure we all fill one out beforehand
- Role of Board in creating a great school

Board Handbook - deferred to next month. Nicole sent it out electronically last week.

Fundraising Guidelines - Nicole sent out a draft last week. We need to review them.

#### Calendar Items - Nicole

- AD review committee - bumped it up to start discussing now. Should we put on task list? Patrick has requested an outside evaluator. Needs to be put in the budget.
- Quarterly financial review
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Time for Heart - Patrick wants to put in a plug for how great our faculty and staff are. Lynn Welch from Gradalis was here to evaluate Chemayne and was impressed with the resources we've allocated to SPED.

Feels the teachers really connect with the kids

Nicole praised the teacher/parent conferences.

Closing verse

Voted to go into closed session at 7 pm

Ended the closed session at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Staten