Maple Grove Charter School
A Collaborative Exploratory Learning Charter
Governance Board Meeting Minutes
DATE: Monday, November 14, 2022 TIME: 6:00 pm

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Mission: Maple Grove Charter School seeks to develop the whole child through the provision of exploratory experiences where students will engage in a hands-on approach in project development through cultural connections to our traditions, opportunities and our greater community.
Vision: Maple Grove Charter School will honor and sustain our proud history and traditions through educational excellence for community students, families, and residents.

1. Call to Order
   6:01 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call - **Jasmin Skerven, Kelly Hirn, Dawn Nonn, Rebecca Primm, Angie Servi, and Cindy Artus (non-voting)**
   Absent: Shaina Franzen

4. Written notice of this meeting has been posted.

5. Approval of minutes from the October 2022 Board Meeting.

   Rebecca Prim motioned to approve minutes from October 2022 Board Meeting. Kelly Hirn seconded. Motion carried unanimously

6. Acknowledge Public Participation – Community members can address the Governance Board if they wish to do so. Public comments will be noted and addressed later in the meeting by the Board. Any public comments not relating to an agenda item for this meeting will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

   Public present asked whether the chili dinner was free or if tickets were being sold. It was indicated that the chili dinner is a free event and a way staff at the school want to give back to the community. A donation box will be available for those who want to donate.

7. Recognition - Governance Board, Principal and/or Superintendent will take this opportunity to recognize community members, teachers, parents, etc. who have supported Maple Grove Charter School during the past month. Any thank you notes or other positive correspondence received will also be shared at this time.

   No recognition given.

   motion to elect – Jasmin motioned. Angie-second -unanimously

8. New Business:
   8.1 New member applications, discussion, and election (15 minutes)

Applicant Kelly Soczka Steidinger introduced herself and explained her experience and education to the board. She relayed her interest in giving back to her community by serving on the Maple Grove Charter School Governance Board.

A motion was made by Jasmin Skerven to elect Kelly Soczka Steidinger as a new board member. This motion was seconded by Angie Servi. Motion carried unanimously.

8.2 Governance Practice information, site, and discussion (15 minutes)

Reviewed WRCCS website, 8 tips to be a great board member.
Discussed maple syrup expansion plan– Robin Hanson indicated the tractor will help create efficiency.
Further discussed partnering with Joel Oelke/Leader soon to be H20 to pursue this expansion.
Reviewed quote from Leader/H2O for $5615.15- 500 trees.
Robin Hanson explained the installation of the pipeline would be completed by volunteers – no labor cost as of right now.
Robin Hanson shared the idea of having 4th and 5th grade help on a Friday as part of their lesson.
Discussed that this money could come out of noncapital in the grant budget.
Robin shared that Leader/H2O would want to create a video for their marketing on the project at Maple Grove Charter School. Discussed how this would put the school's name out there more and could generate further interest in the school from parents/community members.

A motion was mad by Dawn Nonn to approve the necessary funds to fulfil this maple syrup expansion plan out of grant funds. The motion was seconded by Rebecca Primm. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Ongoing Business:

9.1 Board training updates (10 minutes)

Reviewed meeting notes that Angie Servi took following a meeting with Sarah Hackett. Sarah will attend in our December meeting. Discussed creating a calendar with goals for each month. We will formulate committees in December.

Dawn Nonn relayed wanting to ask Sarah Hackett for advice on building an authorizer relationship
Kelly Hirn suggested building further connection to Athens through joint school activities. Kindergarten teacher Sabrina Riehle, spoke about the project she worked with Athens high school on in her classroom.

9.2 Friends of Maple Grove, Inc. Finances (including Student Council fund update) (10 minutes)

Dawn Nonn gave an overview of account activity. Discussed that the Merrill School Forest cost is $300 per visit. Discussed how our current budgeted amount may be too low for the current year as classes attend twice a year.

Reviewed PTO transactions, teacher gift cards. Reviewed that student counsel grew their balance from $25 to $158.

9.3 Principal's Report - including MGCS Financials, WI Charter School Grant Updates, Student Achievement, etc. (time allocation: 15min)

Robin Hanson shared the following:
Reviewed School Learning Goals- goal to move every learner ahead level by spring
Number talks have helped with learning
Dreambox – individual pathways help them learn lessons in a specialized manner
70 of 90 learners met their reading goal last month
The Fall CRISP assembly is planned for next week
60 of the 90 learners are open enrolled at Maple Grove Charter School
The student council board is thinking about starting a small school store – this would provide education in costs, profit, scheduling—basic business tools
Veterans Day Assembly had a great turnout
Chili Supper – 11/17 – Put on as a thank you to the community
Holiday Concerts December 6th, December 7th
The tractor came – staff who wanted to be trained had a safety training
Working on a detailed budget to be approved by DPI – 15th of December will bring it back to the board
UWSP will be coming to do a presentation for 3rd-5th grade

Angie Servi shared what she learned from this month's grant call. We will have our first grant audit in December of 2023.

Discussed that as part of this process a template will need to be filled out and put on the school website. May also use the state report card, but because we are a new school we will not have one by then.

9.4 School Board meeting updates (5 minutes)

The referendum did not pass. The Athens School Board will discuss outcomes at their upcoming meeting. Angie Servi will attend.

9.5 Maple Grove Foundation Updates (time allocation: 5 minutes)

Pam Plisch relayed that it is the Foundation's wish to continue supporting the school and its learners. As a member of the Maple Grove Foundation, Cindy Artus relayed that the foundation is not a Fromm Foundation. She shared that they have a meeting tomorrow night and are hopeful to start some serious fundraising in the near future.

10. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Kelly Hirn and seconded by Dawn Nonn. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.