

THE BIOME SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Directors of The Biome School was called to order by Mr. Phillips. The meeting was in-person at the Biome School and via Zoom at approximately 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, a quorum was present.

Directors Present:

Alex Zaks Alex Head
Tim Houghton Sam Bush
Charlie Walch Ellen Moceri

Brian Phillips Ray Claybrooks

Attended by Invitation:

Bill Kent, Jr. (President and CEO)

Tad Hartmann(UMSL)

Carolyn Jordan Mark Kent (Director of Development)

Pam Thomas Julie Harris (School Principal)

Judy DeLuca-Ford

Approve Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes from January 30, 2024. The motion was moved, seconded and the motion was approved.

President & CEO Report- Bill Kent

I. Strategic Plan Update

Bill Kent reviewed the demographic transitions for St. Louis. Questions were asked and answered.

II. The Biome Charter School Renewal

A motion was made to approve the charter school renewal through UMSL. The motion was moved, seconded, and approved the motion carries.



Academics – Julie Harris & Carolyn Jordan

I. Reading Success Plan- Board Policy Approval

Carolyn Jordan reviewed the Reading Success Plan. The motion was moved, seconded, and approved the motion carries and The Reading Success Plan policy is approved.

II. Interim Academic Report

Julie reviewed the most recent report. Questions were asked and answered.

Financial Report

I. March 2024 Financials

Bill Kent and Tim Houghton discussed recent financial results. Members of the board asked questions and received answers.

II. Approve 2023-24 Revised Budget

A motion was made to approve the revised budget. The motion was moved, seconded, and approved the motion carries.

Fundraising Report- Mark Kent

Mark Kent reviewed the fundraising revenue. Mark thanked Sam Bush for his help in getting the Emerson Grant for \$50k. There is a weakness in individual giving. Mark asks the board members to look at themselves and their networks for current school year funding to make IG budget number.

Closed Session:

A motion was made to move into closed session, so moved, seconded, and approved.

A. Personnel- 610.021(3)

Brian: Please state "Can someone please make a motion to enter closed session pursuant to the Missouri Revised Statutes, Section 610.021, subsections 610.021(1) Legal, 610.021(3) Personnel, 610.021(6) Student, 610.021(13) Personnel Performance and 610.021(14) Generic records protected from disclosure. Can someone please second the motion. Now we will take a roll call vote (each board member must give a voice vote)." After this is done, "the motion is carried by a vote of 8."

New Business:

There was no new business presented

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned following the closed session.



Respectfully Submitted,

Brian K Philips

Brian Phillips, Biome School President & CEO

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