

THE BIOME SCHOOL

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY OCTOBER 8, 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 1408 Tower Grove Avenue and via Zoom at approximately 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, a quorum was present.

Directors Present:

Alex Head
Tim Houghton
Charlie Walch
Brian Phillips
Ray Claybrooks
Sam Bush
Ellen Mocerri
Alex Zaks

Attended by Invitation:

Bill Kent, Jr. (President and CEO)
Laura Myers (Principal)
Mark Kent (Director of Development)
Judy DeLuca-Ford
Pam Thomas
Dr. Alexandra Boyd (SLU)
Susan Marino (UMSL)

Approve Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the minutes from August 27, 2024. The motion was moved, seconded and the motion carried.

MISSION UPDATES

A. Mission Moment – Bill Kent

Mr. Kent discussed The Biome culture and monthly STEM role model speakers. The board was invited to join our November Reading with the Community. Questions were asked and answered.

B. SY 24-25 Baseline Academic Report – Bill Kent & Laura Myers

Mrs. Myers and Mr. Kent reviewed the baseline report. Questions were asked and answered.

C. Presentation of SLU Sponsorship – Dr. Alexandra Boyd, Executive Director of the Office of Public-School Partnerships

Dr. Boyd reviewed her power point presentation. SLU is excited to sponsor the Biome. Dr. Boyd stated that she and Susan Marino are working on the transfer which will take place in March of 2025.

GOVERNANCE REPORTS – Bill Kent

1. Review and Approval of Lease Agreement :

A motion is made, seconded and carries for the approval of the lease agreement between TBS and TBEG.

2. Review of Current Board Terms:

Tim Houghton officially resigns from TBS Board.

Brian Phillips has agreed to remain the TBS Board Chair through the end of the SY24-25.

3. Board Committee Review:

Mr. Bill Kent discussed board committees. The board agreed that we are in need of a Marketing committee and a School Performance committee.

FUNDRAISING – Mark Kent

Mark reviewed the ytd fundraising. He also stated the importance of board involvement in fundraisers. We have a Topgolf event in November, PTO Trivia in February and the Gala in April 2025.

Questions were asked and answered.

FINANCE – Tim Houghton & Bill Kent

Financials were reviewed by Tim and Bill. Questions were asked and answered.

Closed Session:

Motion to enter closed session at 5:50 pm referencing Legal & Personnel matters was seconded and motion carries.

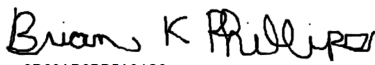
New Business:

There was no new business presented

Adjournment:


The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Brian Phillips, Biome School Board Chair

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Pamela Thomas, Executive Assistant