



Hawthorn Board of Directors Meeting
August 16, 2021
1901 N. Kingshighway Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63113
Convened by Zoom

Board Members Present: Kathryn Love (Chair), Liz Buchman, Matt Coen, Hal Davies, Edes Gilbert, Alex Pearson, Liesl Schnuck, Mary Stillman

Hawthorn Staff Present: Daphne Robinson, Alisa Bennett-Hart, Estitia Stone

Others Present: Anne Schaffa, Claire Byrne, Rose Windmiller

The meeting was called to order at at 5:04 PM by Kathryn Love.

All board members introduced themselves including new members, Matt Coen and Liesl Schnuck.

The consent agenda was moved, seconded and approved unanimously.

Hal Davies and Anne Schaffa gave the Finance Committee Report. They reviewed year-end and July financials. A motion was made to approve certain non-budgeted items, a list of which was presented to the board in advance of the meeting, some of which will be covered by ESSER III, including the teacher residence program and potential transportation. The motion was seconded and approved. A motion was made to approve vendors anticipated to be over \$10,000/year, a list of which was presented to the board in advance of the meeting. The motion was seconded and approved. A motion was made to approve the Fresh Ideas food service contract (RFP); it was seconded and approved. The Board accepted the finance report.

Kathryn Love discussed collection of Boar conflict of interest forms, the formation of board committees and the strategic planning timetable.

Edes Gilbert gave the Governance Committee report. She made a motion of the Board to nominate the following persons as the school's nominees to the board of Hawthorn Leadership School Foundation: Mary Stillman (chair), Rachana Creeth, Hal Davies, Liz Buchman, Kathryn Love, Nikki Doughty, Kristie Skor, Megan Clinton, Stacy Cooper, Carrie Polk, Peter Leibold, and Meg Carosello. The motion was seconded and approved.

Daphne Robinson gave the Head of School Report. She reported that the school is nearing enrollment targets and almost fully staffed. School will be fully in-person, masked and socially distant. School is instituting an extended day program after the start of school. First Student not

able to provide transportation meeting our arrival time targets; two other transportation resources are being investigated.

The Board then approved a motion by following roll call vote to enter Closed Session to discuss legal (§ 610.021(1) RSMo.) and personnel (§ 610.021(3) and (13) RSMo.) matters.

Kathryn Love – aye
Liz Buchman – aye
Matt Coen - aye
Hal Davies – aye

Edes Gilbert – aye
Alex Pearson – aye
Liesl Schnuck - aye
Mary Stillman - aye

A resolution to exit the Closed Session was approved by the following roll call vote:

Kathryn Love – aye
Liz Buchman – aye
Matt Coen - aye
Hal Davies – aye

Edes Gilbert – aye
Alex Pearson – aye
Liesl Schnuck - aye
Mary Stillman - aye

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

Recorded by Alisa Bennett-Hart; Submitted by Mildred Galvin

