

Board of Directors Meeting MINUTES Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 8 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 410 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 2200 Denver, CO 80202

via: <u>(712) 775-7031</u>

Meeting ID: 501-975-482

### I. Welcome (N. South)

- Called to Order 8:30 a.m.
- Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum
  - Attendees: Board Nathan South, Jackie Ros (via telephone), Warren Smith and Abby Kirkbride; Staff: Dan Cohen; G&G: Shannon Grant.
- Approval of Agenda with removal of "School Report" and "Board Bios Due to Dan", as those items were duplicative of other discussion points.
- Approval of June meeting minutes.
- No Public Comment

# II. Agenda

#### **Action Items for Vote**

## **Monthly Financials (S. Grant)**

- Discussion
  - AXL closed the 2015-2016 school year with a positive fund balance of \$380,000.
  - Board to conduct formal review of FY 2016-2017 budget in October and will consider approval at its November meeting.
- Motion to approve financials made by N. South; seconded by A. Kirkbride, all voted in favor.

### **Select Board Meeting days and times**

- Discussion
  - Board discussed the possibility of holding an evening Board meeting once in the Fall and once in the Spring in order to allow more parents to attend meetings.
- Board requested that D. Cohen prepare a schedule proposing specific dates for the evening Board meetings during the 2016-2017 school year.

# **Change Signatures for Checks:**

- Discussion
  - D. Cohen noted that Kaye Taavialma is still listed as a signatory on school checks, and that this needs to be updated.

• Motion to authorize D. Cohen to add his name to the school's checking account and remove K. Taavialma made by W. Smith; seconded by N. South, all voted in favor.

# <u>Director's Report</u> (D. Cohen)

## Discussion

- D. Cohen presented a tracking sheet to the Board outlining his 30-60-90 day goals for the school.
- S. Grant provided a building purchase update, noting that the purchase efforts were still in progress.
- D. Cohen highlighted school events at which the Board could attend. Board requested that D. Cohen provide a list of events to the Board members.
- An issue that the Board needs to address is the budgeting gap create by AXL's prekindergarten program. Board requested that D. Cohen provide a formal recommendation on how to address this matter.
- The enrollment update is that there are approximately 560 students enrolled at AXL, which is 50 students ahead of this same time last year.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Governance & Nominating Committee**

- Discussion
  - N. South reminded all Board members to provide their bios for AXL's website.
  - N. South noted the need to recruit additional Board members, especially from among parents of AXL students. N. South to prepare an invitation letter for the Board to discuss and review.

#### **Marketing/Fundraising Committee**

The Marking and Fundraising committee was formed for the 2016-2017 school year, with W.
Smith, J. Ros and Trace Faust being the members.

## **Board Training Report**

 The Board discussed various take-away points from June's Board training conducted by Nora E. Flood of the Colorado League of Charter Schools.

#### III. Action Items

• (N/A)

### IV. Adjournment

 Motion to adjourn made by N. South at 10:30 a.m.; seconded by A. Kirkbride, all voted in favor.