Minutes Board of Directors Meeting Math & Science Academy

Thursday, December 6th, 2005, 6:30 PM 8430 Woodbury Crossing, Woodbury, MN 55125

1. Call to order at 6:31 PM by Josh Minsley (Vice-Chair)

2. Roll Call of Members:

Carrie Bartz Michelle Richards
Patricia Guerra (left at 7:12) Bhaskar Velamakanni
Laura Hutt Bronwen Williams

Eric Kaluza Grace Ezzell (Student Rep.)
Josh Minsley Paul Simone (ex-officio)

Alan Moorhead (absent)

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Approve agenda as presented

Moved by: Carrie Bartz Second: Patricia Guerra Vote: 8-0-0

4. Open Forum:

- Debbie Johnson (parent) reported that the Outreach Team has been accepted to go to the Peace Jam in Denver, CO September 15-17, 2006. Students will miss school on Friday September 15 and possibly Thursday the 14th and/or Monday the 18th depending on the mode of transportation. 8 to 10 students have been accepted to participate. The cost is \$235.00 plus lodging and transportation. There are no plans to do any community fundraising. They plan to apply for grant money to decrease or eliminate the cost to students. Debbie also reported on Diversity Week, another Outreach Team activity. The mission of the week was to raise awareness of other cultures. Activities included singers, a poster contest and Mix-it-up at lunch day. Assemblies were done during the lunch periods. A survey of students was done, as in the past, to determine if the students liked the speaker/singer or not. Some said that it wasn't as good as last year, some wanted more singing and less talking, some didn't like folk music. Mostly, the students gave them a score of 3 or 4 on a scale from 1-5.
- Nate Carr (student), Ken Carr (parent), Sue Grupe (parent), Sarah Lilja (parent) and Debbie Johnson (parent) expressed concerns about the Extracurricular Eligibility policy. Objections to the policy included negative social impact, magnification of failure, impact on teams when one or more students are not allowed to participate, difficulty in administration of extracurricular activities. Paul Simone noted that the BOD will discuss a review process.
- 5. Approval of Meeting Minutes for the meeting of November 3rd, 2005.

Motion: Approve November 3rd, 2005 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes as presented.

Moved by: Laura Hutt

Second: Bhaskar Velamakanni

Vote: 8-0-0

- 6. Consent Agenda: none
- 7. Financial Report Paul Simone reviewed the Income Statement as of October 31, 2005. The 2004-2005 audit was discussed.
- 8. Chair's Report: none
- 9. Standing Committee Reports:
 - a) Budget: Laura Hutt reported that the budget committee met on November 21, 2005. They discussed determination of how much we can afford for an expansion. The committee needs more information before making a decision. Paul Simone will talk to the developer to get answers to the committee questions. The city of Woodbury did not approve the rubber roofing material proposed by the roofer. An alternative material is being sought. The committee received a request from a teacher to be paid for an extracurricular activity. The budget

committee now asks the policy committee to create an official form to use for this type of request.

- b) Building/Maintenance: Roofing discussed during Budget Committee report.
- c) Enrollment: Review of Enrollment Report from November 29, 2005.
- d) Personnel: Michelle Richards reported that Leah Bruggeman has been offered a position as long term substitute for English. She is a student teacher at the University of Wisconsin, River Falls. Her start date has not yet been determined.
- e) Technology: Josh Minsley reported that software has been purchased to allow streaming of classes MSA TV. Two math teachers have been streaming their classes. The online files are downloadable Flash files. The funding source for the software is MSA Tinucci's Night.
- f) Parent Team: Sarah Lilja reported that the Parent team approved funding requests for the Multicultural Awareness Program ethnic desserts and the Gardening Dragons worn garden tool replacement. A Ski Club will be starting soon. The Parent Team now has a web page. There was a discussion about Diversity Week. The next meeting will be January 12, 2006.
- g) Policy: Carrie Bartz reported that Policies 214 and 907 were reviewed and amended at the workshop prior to this meeting.
- h) Expansion Committees: none
- 10. Old Business
 - a) Approve 2004-2005 Audit

Motion: Approve 2004-2005 Audit as presented by LarsonAllen

Moved by: Eric Kaluza Second: Patricia Guerra Vote: 8-0-0

- 11. New Business
 - a) 2006-2007 Open Enrollment dates, Open House.

Enrollment will begin on January 3rd, 2006 and close on February 17th, 2006. If necessary, a lottery will be held on March 6th, 2006.

Motion: Approve 2006 enrollment notice. Hold Open House on January 19th, 2006.

Moved by: Eric Kaluza Second: Bhaskar Velamakanni Vote: 8-0-0

b) Policy 214 – OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL BY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBERS Motion: Approve policy as amended at workshop

Moved by: Eric Kaluza Second: Laura Hutt Vote: 7-0-0

c) Policy 907 - REWARDS

Motion: Approve policy as amended at workshop

Moved by: Bhaskar Velamakanni Second: Bronwen Williams Vote: 7-0-0

d) Loan Pay-off

Motion: Amend the 2005-2006 budget to pay off the loan at Anchor Bank as soon as possible. Moved by: Laura Hutt Second: Bhaskar Velamakanni Vote :7-0-0

12. Information

- a) Semester grade reports will be sent home on the first Wednesday in January with students.
- 13. Future Agenda Items
 - a) Regular Board Meeting
 - b) Workshop Meeting
 - c) School Finance workshop
 - d) Officer and committee briefing for new BOD members
 - e) Roof Update
- 14. Next regular BOD meeting: January 5th, 2005 at 6:30 PM

Workshop: January 5th, 2005 at 5:30 PM

Moved by: Bhaskar Velamakanni Second: Bronwen Williams Vote: 7-0-0

15. Adjourn

Motion: Adjourn at 7:31 PM

Moved by: Bhaskar Velamakanni Second: Bronwen Williams Vote: 7-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Bartz, Secretary