

Approved Minutes
October 10, 2012
The Compass School Council
The Compass School
537 Old North Road
Kingston, RI

AGENDA

6:00 PM Call to Order

Call to Order: Elizabeth Allen, Council President, calls the meeting to order at 6:05 pm

Members Present: Elizabeth Allen (EA), Cyrus Beasley (CB) , Dina Mandeville (DM), Drew Virbila (DV), Hilary Downs-Fortune (HF), Michelle Clifford (MC), Rick Rhodes (RR), Marisa Gallagher (MG)

Members Absent: none

Also present: Please see sign in sheet

Also present: Allen Zipke (AZ), director

Approval of Minutes:

The August minutes were approved during the September meeting.

EA motions to approve the minutes as changed

DV seconds

In favor:8 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carries

Committee Reports

Site Committee

Site Committee Report 10/10/12

- Construction drawings done for farmhouse
- ready to go out to bid
- Nov 1 all bids due
- New driveway starting this week
- Clearing starting tomorrow
- Excavation by the end of the week

Development/Treasurers Report

Treasurers

1. Bank Statements and financials in compliance with covenants.
2. Met with and hired a new auditing firm. Will conduct audit in late October.

Development

1. Celebration of Local Foods – November 3, 2012. All of our 14 table hosts are confirmed. Invitations sent out Friday Oct 5th.
2. Capital Campaign – projected Town Hall Meeting in November/December time frame.
3. Updated our Compass School website with information and pictures in order to improve community awareness.

Learning/Teachers – No report submitted

Co-Op

Co-op Report

- Held a meeting in late September to outline the year's events and clubs
- Found parents to take on Scrips and Box Tops for Education projects
- Finalizing plans for Aim High Gymnastics Club for the month of November
- Held the Harvest Fest at The Farmer's Daughter
- Attempting to find small (2-3) core volunteers to make decisions for events and clubs
- Planning the November Bonfire and deciding on some changes to the night.
- Next meeting will be October 24th at the school

Wellness Committee- No report submitted

Policy Committee

Matt Plain will be reviewing the Policy Development Guidance this month. We will discuss the policy at November council meeting.

EA motions to accept the consent agenda

DV seconds

In favor: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carries

Requests from community for agenda items and comments

Director's Report (AZ)

Allen reviewed the RI Race to the Top: Compass School LEA SOW June 2012.

Council goal-setting retreat: Review/update goal progress (all)

Elizabeth handed out the council goals spreadsheet. She asked that this be used as a working document that is updated throughout the year. It should be used to track progress on council goals.

EA motions to submit our complete policy manual to Matt Plain our lawyer and authorize him to complete a policy review.

DM Seconds

In favor: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carries

Land Use Sub-Committee: Update on progress (CB)

An ad has been placed in the paper for construction bids. There will be a formal meeting of the committee to review proposals in November.

Requests from community for agenda items and comments

Executive session:

Matters pertaining to litigation pursuant to R.I.G.L. sec. 42-46-5 (a) (2)

EA motions to enter executive session

RR Seconds

In favor: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carries

Enter executive session at 6:55 pm

Exit Executive session at 7:02 pm

While in executive session council voted to approve August and September Executive Session minutes

Announcements:

EA announced that one of our tasks this year will be to re-evaluate and reissue our strategic plan. Part of this will be accomplished in the context of learning committee. Anyone interested should contact EA.

EA motions to adjourn meeting.

HF seconds

In favor: 8 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion carries

Adjourn at 7:04 pm

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