

# **Minutes Trinity Academy for the Performing Arts**

## **Board of Directors Meeting**

**April 5, 2011**

**Present: Joyce Stevos, Dan Corley, Deidre Newbold, Richardson Ogidan, Ron Caniglia, Elizabeth Richards, Leonor Guerrero.**

**Absent: Michael Van Leesten, Hanna Rodriguez-Farrar and Joe Costa, and Bob DeRobbio**

**Ex Officio: Steve Olsen**

**Guest: Tim More.**

**Meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. Motion was made by Deirdre Newbold, seconded by Dan Corley to approve the minutes of the February board meeting. Motion passed.**

### **New Business**

**Building Update- Ron Caniglia and Richardson Ogidan presented a plan to allow for ADA compliance by September 2011 in relation to access to the lower level to accommodate our expansion. They presented the plans to add a “Limited Use Limited Accessibility” (LULA) elevator. The total cost of the LULA, a chair lift to the theater**

and the renovations to the lower level come to 225,000 to 250,000. TRI requested TAPA consider a new lease for 5 years that includes the agreed upon 70,000 rent for the two floors but adds 35,000 in leaser improvements and then a rent of 100,000 for 2013 increased by \$5000 each year for the extent of the lease. The group asked clarifying questions regarding the capacity potential. TRI shared that they may be able to fit 136 students in the two levels. They shared that a presentation will be made at the May 3rd meeting detailing the renovation plans and the long term facilities plan with TAPA. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Dan Corely to keep the original lease with two remaining years and add 35,000 leaser improvements. After discussion the motion passed with 4 “yes” votes and 2 abstentions from Elizabeth Richards and Richardson Ogidan.

**B. Nominating Committee Report-** Three new potential board members will be attending the yearly meeting on May 3rd. They are Peter Mandell, Melissa Dubose, and Peter King. Leonor Guerrero was introduced as the parent representative.

**C. Personnel Committee Report-** Steve Olsen updated the board on the teacher hiring process for 2011/2012 SY. The interview/hiring team includes Zuleika Vidal, Family Comm Liasion, Elizabeth Richards, Artistic Director, Jen Patten, ELA teacher, Joseph Andrade, parent, and Joyce Stevos, Board President. The goal is to hire teachers to reflect the diversity of the student body. Steve Olsen

**then introduced Andrew MacMannis as the newly hired .5 Special Education/Enrichment teacher and the .5 Director of Grants and Fund Development for the 2011/2012 SY. The board warmly welcomed him.**

**Head of School Report- Preliminary student demographic data was shared with the Board. Charles Fortes continues to be a large sending school because of the interest of a teacher there. The 2011/2012 seventh grade class is fully enrolled.**

**Deborah Gist will be visiting the school on May 4th. At 4:00 there is a planned meeting with school staff. Board members were invited to attend.**

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Richardson Ogidan, Secretary**