**SOAR Charter School Board Meeting**

Date, Time and Place: June 9th, 2017, 4800 Telluride St. BLDG 4, Denver, CO 80249

**Attendance of Board Members**:

Present: Rona Wilensky, Jerry Osei-Tutu, Liane Morrison, William Weintraub, Sarah Glover

Present by Phone: n/a

Recused: n/a

Absent: Claudia Gutierrez, Sue Sava

Staff Absent:

Quorum? Yes

Also in attendance: Laurie Godwin, Sonia Sisneros, Kelly Moulton

Members of public in attendance:

**Going forward, all Board meetings will adjourn at 11:30 AM.**

Meeting brought to order – Bill moved, Liane seconded ­­­8:50 AM

Agenda:

* 8:45 Public Comment
* 8:50 Consent Agenda
  + Minutes
  + Monthly dashboards
  + Monthly financials

50k in book buying to update books that are current, culturally-appropriate

In the future, there will most likely be smaller

Furniture and libraries – need to be on cycles

Technology updates

Books are an expense

The two schools were consolidated

Motion to approve consent agenda: Bill moved, Sarah seconded ­­­8:59AM

* 9:00 Finance Approvals
  + Re-approval of FY17 Budget

Approval requested because of $50k

Motion to approve FY 17 budget: Liane moved, Bill seconded 9:05 AM

* + Re-approval of F18 Budget

Salary line item

Motion to approve FY18 budget: Sarah moved, Bill seconded at 9:06 AM

* + Approval of Financial Policies & Procedures

Kelly merged all documents into one policy document and added internal controls (including changes of titles)

This is a living document and includes roles and responsibilities

Motion to approve Financial Policies and Procedures: Jerry moved, Bill seconded ­­9:06 AM

* 9:15 Approval of the FY18 Board Calendar

October meeting added

Motion to approve FY18 Board calendar: Liane moved, Bill seconded ­­­9:11 AM

* 9:20 Approval of School Policy Changes
  + Health Leave & Personal Days

New policy:

* Definition of health leave (self or family), 7 days of health leave and 3 days of personal leave, except for extenuating circumstances
* Substitute teachers will come from charter school network

Motion to approve health leave and personal days: Sarah moved, Liane seconded 9:32 AM

* + Removing Vegetarian Restrictions from School Foodservice

New proposed plan: DPS plan that provides options including meat

* + Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Grant (approved)

Motion to approve school policy changes: Bill moved, Sarah seconded ­­9:37AM

* 9:30 Head of School Report

All positions filled, still hiring Kindergarten position

Hired 3/4/5 science teacher

Work on mission statement

* Staff would like the word “create” to be changed to “contribute” 🡪board agreed
* Staff wrote beliefs that feed back into the mission

Board should review student and parent survey data (will be back in October)

How do we compare to other schools? Norm to Denver

We need a staff satisfaction survey

We need to pay attention to all of the contacts kids have (after school, etc.)

School is thinking about the focus on: excellence, opportunity, character

Next steps: continued conversations about the words, meanings, marketing, etc.

* 10:00 Board Pipeline Update

We discussed a potential new board member joining us for the meeting in August

Jerri and Claudia will be asked to think about other parents in the community who might want to come onto the Board

* 10:30 Adjourn

Liane motion to adjourn; Jerri seconded at 10:29 AM