

**Prairie Creek Community School
School Board Monthly Meeting Minutes**

October 26, 2017

7:00pm

27695 Denmark Avenue, Northfield, MN 55057

- 1 Call to order 7:05pm
- 2 Attendance

2017-2018	Aug 25	Sept 28	Oct 26	Nov 18	Dec 14	Jan 25	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apl 26	May 24	June 22
Trish Beckman	✓	✓	✓								
Jason Buckmeier	✓	✓	✓								
Jodi Doeden	✓	✓	X								
Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah	✓	✓	✓								
Bonnie Jean Flom	✓	✓	✓								
Ryan Krominga	✓	✓	✓								
Gabe Meerts	✓	✓	✓								
Ben Miller	✓	✓	✓								
Lisa Percy	✓	✓	✓								
Simon Tyler-ex officio	✓	✓	✓								
Keith Johnson- ex officio	✓	X	✓								
Colleen Braucher	X	✓	✓								

- 3 Recognition/Announcements: Simon would like to recognize Nancy Dennis for planning and organizing the all school field trip earlier this week.
- 4 Public Comments: Ben Johnson joined our meeting tonight and introduced himself to the board.
- 5 Approve Agenda
 Moved: Bonnie Jean Flom
 Second: Jason Buckmeier
 Passed: unanimous
- 6 Approve Minutes from September 28, 2017
 Moved: Jason Buckmeier
 Second: Bonnie Jean Flom
 Passed: unanimous
- 7 Presentation of the Audit by Clifton Larson Allen—Dennis Hoogeveen complimented Keith on all his work in the PCCS audit. Clean or unmodified opinion was issued on the most resent audit preformed by CliftonLarsonAllen
- 8 On going board training: Educational Data Practices-Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah presented the training to the board on Educational Data Practices.
- 9 Items for discussion and/or reports
 - a Director Report: Simon attended the October Eureka Township meeting. There have been no complaints and the board approved the review of our CUP. We are hosting a quarterly all staff meeting. Our first one was in October and we focused on Progressive Ed. Six staff members attended the PEN Conference in Boston. Simon will be on the steering committee for the PEN Conference in 2019 in the Twin Cities. The art committee has been chosen to receive a grant that we originally were not selected.
 - b Education Program Committee: Math, Literacy, and Social Justice Committees are underway. Narrative writing was a topic of discussion and reflection. Molly is working

with the teachers on their student learning goals and site goal. The special education teachers lead a great professional development on new initiatives around dyslexia.

c Finance Committee: The audit was presented earlier in the meeting.

d Community Engagement & Development Committee: We had a really successful game night. T-shirt orders are on their way. Working on parent education nights. Save the date: Give to the Max day is Thursday, November 16, 2017. Auction chair will be needed for the auction this year.

e Nominations Committee: Nothing at this time

f Policy Committee: Tuition policy first read was presented to the board tonight. School board member development policy needs to be reviewed and updated. Board members must complete required training within a year of being seated and must start the required trainings in the first 6 months. The policy needs to state this more clearly.

g Outreach: We have been exploring giving preference to local families in the lottery. Our legislative representatives are working on putting together a bill that reflects our request. There was a wonderful article in the Northfield News about outdoor classroom, featuring Michelle M class. Simon dropped off open house fliers at 4 Northfield preschools this today. Our teachers are going to visit other schools for the staff development day. We had a great visit with the teachers from Myanmar.

h Facility Committee: We still are gathering information about what are the benefits/draw backs of having an Affiliated Building Company. The PC Inc. board is looking to see if they can afford heat tape on the rest of the building to control ice dams.

i Strategic Plan Discussion: Simon updated the current plan. In February we will start to look anew.

10 Items for Action

a Vote on Committees Structure-

Education Committee: Gabe Meerts

Finance Committee: Ryan Krominga, Ben Miller

Development Committee: Jason Buckmeier, Ryan Krominga (Jodi Doeden)

Policy Committee: Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah

Nominations Committee: Trish Beckman, Lisa Percy

Sub Committee Outreach: Bonnie Jean Flom

Community Connection: Lisa Percy

Arts Committee: Lisa Percy

Moved: Trish Beckman

Second: Bonnie Jean Flom

Passed: unanimous

b Annual Report Approval

Moved: Lisa Percy

Second: Gabe Meerts

Passed: unanimous

11 Adjournment 9:20pm

Moved: Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah

Second: Gabe Meerts

Passed: unanimous

Next Board Meeting: Saturday, November 18, 2017, St. Olaf Buntrock