

Prairie Creek Community School  
School Board Monthly Meeting Minutes  
January 28, 2021 @ 7:00pm  
Prairie Creek Community School, Northfield MN 55057

- 1 Call to order 7:03pm
- 2 Attendance

2020-2021	July 23	Aug 27	Sep 24	Oct 22	Nov 19	Dec 17	Jan 28	Feb 25	Mar 18	Apl 22	May 27	Jun 24
Shelly Dickinson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Don Findlay	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X					
Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Bonnie Jean Flom	✓	X	✓	✓	X	✓	X					
Molly McGovern Wills	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓					
Ben Miller	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Beth Molitor	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Lisa Percy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Christine Williams	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓					
Simon Tyler-ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Keith Johnson- ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓					
Colleen Braucher	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					

- 3 Recognition/Announcements: Simon would like to give a shout out to the teachers for all their work in preparing for conferences today and tomorrow and for being the strong professionals they are. A shout out to our families for being flexible through this year. Keeping your children home when they are sick and really helping to keep everyone safe. Keith, Ben and Kelsey who joined Simon at a Northfield board meeting regarding our contract renewal. Simon for doing a wonderful job with his presentation to the Northfield board. K/1 and 2/3 team for their work on transitioning the children back into the building. Thank everyone for sending out all the information regarding COVID. Having all that information has been so helpful. As always we are grateful to Connie for her work.
- 4 Public Comments Margit Znoyay is thinking about running for the school board next year.
- 5 Approve Agenda  
Moved: Shelly Dickinson  
Second: Lisa Percy  
Passed: unanimous

6 Approve Minutes from the December 17, 2020 meeting

Moved: Christine Williams

Second: Beth Molitor

Passed: unanimous

7 Items for discussion and/or reports

a Director Report: Fully enrolled at 180, just under 60 children on the waitlist. We currently have 27 kindergarten applications. We will have a virtual open house on Tuesday. We have a bi-weekly testing program at school. We are also participating in the vaccination program that is being rolled out by MDH. We have now been in all three learning models. We are in the process of contract renewal. The Northfield board asked good questions during the board meeting. The next step is for the Northfield board to vote in March whether to approve our application.

b Education Program Update:

c Finance Committee: There are no significant changes to the budget this month. It looks like any COVID related funding will be spent. There has been some talk about hold harmless for schools. There have been no decisions made yet. The finance committee will be working on a preliminary budget for an upcoming board meeting. There have been a lot of changes in payroll which make the budget process a little trickier this year.

d Development Committee: We have exceeded our fundraising goals for the year. Don has put together a letter to the committee as why we will not be having an auction this year. We have raised just over \$60,000 for the year which is truly remarkable.

e Nominations Committee: Thank you Bonnie Jean and Ben for joining Lisa and Beth to the board Zoom information meeting. There is now a nomination folder in the board file that has all the nominations information in it. Nominations are due by the end of day tomorrow. Next meeting we will have the bios for the people who wish to run for the board next year.

f Policy Committee: Nothing at this time.

g Sub Committee Reports: Nothing at this time.

8 Items for Action

a Consent Agenda

Gabe Meerts - 0.5 FTE Distance Learning Only Teacher (begins 2/1/21)

~ Cale Steinhoff will be subbing in the Kestrels

~ Gabe Meerts will not be returning to PCCS for the FY22 school year

**FFCRA Extension**

*PCCS will extend FFCRA through 3/31/2021. If someone has already used the 10 days allowed, they will not have more under FFCRA, but for those that haven't used any, or have only used some, it will be available through 3/31/21.*

Moved: Kelsey Fitschen Hemmah

Second: Shelly Dickinson

Passed: unanimous

b 2021-2022 Calendar

Moved: Christine Williams

Second: Lisa Percy

Passed: unanimous

9 Adjournment 8:18pm

Moved: Lisa Percy

Second: Shelly Dickinson

Passed: unanimous

Next meeting Thursday, February 25, 2021