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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Wednesday March 6, 2019

**PEPIN ACADEMIES-PASCO**

9804 Little Road

New Port Richey, FL 34654

**CALL TO ORDER:**

5:30pm Meeting called to order by Kris Hudson

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Board Members in Attendance:

Kris Hudson, Cathy Peckett, Ruth Reilly, Delynn Gaston, Dreama Bilby, Tom Ryan

Board Members NOT in Attendance:

Dale Bieber, Mary Spoto

Staff Members:

Principal Celeste Kellar, Charlie Burke, Kelly Mothershead, Jason Aponte

Guests:

Kevin Duffy-Parent

Matthew Kindel-Proposed board member

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Ruth Reilly motioned to approve February Minutes, Tom Ryan seconded the motion, all approved, Motion passed.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Pepin Academies Pasco parent, Kevin Duffy commented to suggest the board consider year round school and eliminated the whole summer off, he feels it is too long of a break for our students. Principal Celeste Keller stated that this is the goal eventually, but for now, she suggested that students participate in the summer program.

**DISCUSSION:**

Kris Hudson opened the meeting, she thanked all board members for their attendance. Kris Hudson re-introduced Proposed board member Matthew Kindel. Matthew was approved for a position on the board. Welcome Matthew.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Celeste Kellar stated that all compliance reporting has been met. All drills have been completed and reports have been submitted. The school calendar has been updated to

add the early release days. Tom Ryan motioned to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar Cathy Peckett Seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed. The final day to enter students into the lottery is April 26, The lottery will be held on May 3, 2019. The majority of openings are in elementary. There are currently 68 students on a waiting list.

March 8 is family fun night @ spin nations. March 13 is college and career night and parent teacher conference, the survey room will be open, March 15 is the Health Fair and early release. Spring break is March 18-22. March 25 is a teacher planning day. Parent night and Welcome to Middle School, welcome to High School is March 27, survey room will be open.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Charlie Burke distributed copies of the financials, no changes to the budget. There is approximately 46 days cash on hand.

**HR REPORT:**

No changes or updates

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**

Natalie King was not present and there was no update.

**BUILDING/FACILITIES COMMITTEE:**

Charlie Burke recapped the arrangements and offer made in January. The letter of intent was sent. The committee met with Genesis school, they are concerned about our timeline. Genesis school needs to move by June 28 and we can't get everything in order for our loan, etc. by that date. The committee re-assessed to determine if that deadline could be met. The committee met with 3 contractors. Charlie Burke and Celeste Kellar discussed the needs and building size. 25,000 sf should be enough. Kris Hudson and Charlie Burke will be attending a pre-application meeting with Pasco county next week. Even though we may NOT meet the deadlines, we are still moving forward at a fast pace in hopes of making this work. The committee is continuing to look at all other viable options as back up to this plan. Tom Ryan disclosed that Coastal design is an investor and is on the task force for Pasco Economic Development. He is on the board for Day Spring Academy also and they do not believe it is a conflict of interest. Paul Manuel has worked near the site, he is happy to come to a board meeting and present to the board. We discussed ground review and the need for architecture work. Tom Ryan is concerned about moving forward with the expenses that we will have upfront if we are unable to meet the required deadline. Kris Hudson says they will

However  
he didn't believe  
he had a conflict  
of interest but  
we should verify.  
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address all of this moving forward. The cost for the pre-application meeting is \$250, we will pay this and proceed with this meeting unless anything changes. The letter of intent is not signed yet. Changes have been made with the latest news. Kris and Charlie will continue the discussions with Genesis School. Kris Hudson asked for a motion giving her and Charlie Burke approval to continue to move forward with the pre-app meeting. **Tom Ryan motioned to approve, Delynn Gaston Seconded, all were in favor, the motion passed.**

**PRINCIPALS REVIEW:**

Tom Ryan says this committee needs to meet. The Survey went out in the newsletter, two upcoming dates to participate in the survey at the school, links were emailed as well. Ruth Reilly, Kris Hudson and Rom Ryan will find the timeline dates.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:**

Kelly Mothershead shared that she is speaking to many Pasco County groups about Pepin Academies. Kelly discussed the gala and all of the auction items she was able to secure from Pasco. Kelly talked about the Pasco Education Foundation ball, Prom, graduation and the upcoming Chasco Fiesta and the Scavenger hunt. Three board members agreed to purchase teams at \$100 each for Pepin Teachers and staff to participate.

**PEPIN FIRST REPORT:**

Not in attendance, but Kelly talked about the upcoming events and Catchin for Pepin Fishing tournament.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Kris Hudson asked that we create a new Bylaws committee to update and keep current any changes we need to make to the bylaws. We will consider changes made to the Hillsborough campus bylaws and update our current bylaws. Matthew Kindel agreed to chair this committee and Delynn Gaston and Dreama Bilby agreed to participate as committee members.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Cathy Peckett motioned to adjourn, Ruth Reilly seconded, all were in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 6:43pm**

**NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday April 3, 2019 5:30pm

