



Lotus School for Excellence

Mission: Lotus School for Excellence provides a safe learning environment and a rigorous college preparatory curriculum supported by a diverse, dedicated community.

Vision: Our vision is to create well-rounded and global-minded citizens who are prepared for a college education in order to pursue careers in S.T.E.A.M. fields and become contributing members of the community.

Board Meeting Minutes

9.10.2020

Held Via Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Don Knapp, Angela Reyes, Haregewoin Weledmariam, Oguz Akkas with Brett Williams and Tim Farmer also in attendance.

Call to Order

Agenda adoption: Mr. Akkas motioned to approve the agenda. Ms. Weledmariam seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Town Hall Meeting:

The board held a Town Hall meeting. All staff were invited.

- Welcome
- Board Introductions
- What makes a good charter board
- Working with the charter board
- Strategic plan
- Q&A

Positives

- Great Attendance
- Tech Skills
- Cohorts
- Athletic
- Committed Teachers
- Technology set up well
- Tech department—Lotus IT dept

- Pull out for IEPs

Obstacles

- Jamie Hoffmeister – Confusion about procedures and grading policies, and how work is reflected
- Hare—Concern for amount of screen time
- Erin Lennartz—Wanted clarification on grades and what the work being received reflects
- Amy Johnston—Parents and students still in the mindset of the spring and needing to shift the understanding of rigor
- Mrs. Flores—Needing ideas about how to make a connection with families that are falling off the radar

Question

- Amy Johnston—Parent survey originally, can there now be a new climate survey?
- Karmen Kimm—When does student assessment committee meet? It was determined that the best fit for the question was the School Accountability Committee.

Consent Agenda

Items in the consent agenda:

ED Dashboard

Athletic Director Report

Mentor Job Description

Secondary Yearbook Advisor Job Description

HVAC Project

APS Temporary Attendance Policy

Financial report

Mr. Akkas motioned that we approve the consent agenda. Ms. Reyes seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Executive Session

The board moved into executive session for the purpose of receiving legal advice as allowed by CRS 24-720402(4)(b), conferences with an attorney for the public entity for the purposes of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions.

Mr. Akkas motioned that the board move into executive session. Ms. Weledmariam seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The board president adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:55.

**Board President:
Don Knapp**

**Board Secretary:
Angela Velez-Reyes**

Don Knapp _____
