

Exploris Middle School / Board of Directors

Meeting: 2014 May 20, 4:30PM-6PM at Exploris Middle School

Mission: Exploris is a learning community that engages students in a rigorous, relevant, relationship-based education. This is done through experiential, project-based learning that empowers students to build a connected, just and sustainable world.

<p>Attendees: Liz Baird Summer Clayton Kathleen Evans Anne Franklin Sean Gargan (Chair) Kendall Hageman Bob Kingery Barrett Koster (Secretary) Laura Laut Khristi Tomlinson (PTO) Bob Whitehead</p>	<p>Absent:</p>
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Proceedings	
Call to order	4:36
Approval of Agenda	add "open board seats" to agenda. approved.
Public Comment	none
From the Classroom	Laura - We received the 2014 Green Ribbon Award. Juliana was awarded a Kenan Fellowship. Several schools have sent observers; we are a model.
<p>Consent Agenda April financials 2013 audit contract</p>	Approved
<p>New Business minutes from 2014 Apr 15 elementary temp space diversity open board seats</p>	<p>minutes - approved.</p> <p>Elementary space. Summer. We have a lease for 600 New Bern Ave.</p> <p>Mod space lease is coming together. Site prep costs are not settled yet, but seem to be under control. Loan application is proceeding well. We will probably need to tap our reserves, but not too much.</p> <p>Aug 18 start will be tight, but ... we're working on it. Ads are out for teachers; some positions are</p>

	<p>filled already.</p> <p>Meeting materials included the lease on the land, the Mod Space lease, and the load application. Motion to approve all three - AF, 2nd</p> <p>- Bob K, approved unanimously.</p> <p>Weighted lottery. We discussed the proposal from Summer to weight the lottery to hit 25% Free or Reduced Lunch students in 4 years. Motion to approve: KE, 2nd LB. vote 8-1 in favor, with the one dissenting vote holding out for ramping up even faster.</p> <p>Board seats.</p> <p>-- Liz is off after 6 years, last meeting next time (June).</p> <p>-- Susan is off after 6 years (after 1 year PTO, 5 years on Board).</p> <p>-- Barry is done with 3 year term. He is willing to stay for a while until we get some replacements.</p> <p>We need people with connections, diversity. Send names to Sean.</p>
<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>cap dev financial report</p> <p>Stones</p> <p>PTO vs. Cap Dev?</p>	<p>We discussed a possible permanent site that Anne found, how fast we could move, how the money could work. It's tricky. We need a site to launch the campaign, and we need money from the campaign to secure the site. There is some feeling that we have our hands full this summer</p> <p>RFP for Stone will be out circa the end of May, and usually they give 60 days to reply. When it comes, we can see if it looks doable, check for partners, and decide if it's worth pursuing (iffy so far).</p> <p>Khristi asked for some guidance on appropriate social/fundraising activities (need to know soon for calendar). We said a lot of things, including that she should focus on community building more than money.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>6:20. Sean to poll Board about best day to meet in June</p>