

MICS Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes - 01-11-2024

Attendees: Eric LaForce, Kelly Loving, Kim Leppert, Alan Vanevenhoven, Stephanie Sherer, Kevin Wiley, Rich Zinno, Rod Hewlin, Kelly Dempsey, Chad Stachowicz, Glenn Byrum

Quorum Status: YES

- I. Call to Order: Kevin Wiley called the Board meeting to order at 5:17 pm.
- II. Approval of minutes: December 11, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes - Kelly Loving moved to approve, Kim seconded the motion. All members voted in favor. The minutes were approved.
- III. Public Comment: No public comments.
- IV. School Report: Glenn Byrum presented the Student Enrollment and Attrition Reports. There was a net reduction of 2 students in this report because 2 students graduated in December 2023. The lottery is going well – there are 1,423 lottery applications on file currently. MICS is preparing for enrollment lottery for 2024-25 school year and interest from the community remains strong.
- V. Board Recruitment Update – Kelly Dempsey reported that the Board anticipates offering interviews to selected candidates before the end of January. The Board intends to complete interviews in Feb/March with selection to follow for presentation to the Board at the March Board meeting. The number of new Board members will be determined at the March Board meeting.
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Finance:
 - Met with Dr. Lynn Harvey from the Office of School Nutrition to attend a virtual training session regarding contracting a food management services company and the RFP process. Kevin, Glenn, and Eric attended on January 4th at 4 pm.
 - Finance committee members individually reviewed the November financials - no questions or concerns raised.
 - We have an upcoming Finance Committee meeting on January 19th, 2024 - we will be meeting with Jim Hale to perform our annual review of the 403b plan as part of our fiduciary responsibilities.

B. Governance: No meeting held

C. HR: The Board previewed that it would undergo contract review for the Executive Director in closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11 (5).

D. Academics: No meeting held

E. SOAR: Chad Stachowicz reported that SOAR has purchased a new bus; finances are in a good spot; attendance is up at PTO meetings.

VII. Closed Session:

The Board entered closed session pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11 (6) at 5:25 pm following the motion of Kelly Loving, whose motion was seconded by Rod Hewlin. All board members voted in favor of the motion.

Stephanie Sherer moved to leave closed session; Rod Hewlin seconded; The Board voted all in favor. The Board returned from close session at 5:27 pm.

In the open session, Eric LaForce moved to approve the new hire {Donald L} presented by Glenn Byrum. Kelly Loving seconded the motion and the Board voted all in favor.

The Board re-entered closed session at 5:30 pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §143-318.11 (5) following the motion of Kelly Loving, motion was seconded by Rich Zinno and the Board voted all in favor.

Board left closed session at 5:52 by motion of Eric LaForce; Kelly Loving seconded the motion; The Board voted all in favor.

The Board approved the proposed contract, with small adjustments, for presentation to Executive Director following the motion of Rodward Hewlin, seconded by Chad Stachowicz, and approved by all members of the Board.

VIII. Adjournment: The Board meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.