

# North Metro Flex Academy Board of Trustees Meeting

2350 Helen Street \* North St. Paul, MN 55109

August 16, 2017 \* 5:00pm Work Session

6:00pm Board Meeting



## Agenda

*Our mission is to prepare a diverse community of elementary, middle and high school students to be successful in college and in their careers through a flexible “blended learning” experience that develops analytical, compassionate, disciplined and self-directed learners.*

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM with a quorum present.

### **Board Member Present**

Patty Brostrom  
Anna Anderson  
Ember Russell  
Randy Brady

#### Accel Schools:

Mike Flora  
Eric Dinnel (by phone)  
Therese Privette, Principal  
Jay Caballero, Office Manager

#### Neo:

Wendy Choi

#### Anton Group:

Kyle Knudson

#### Community:

Pam Albrecht

### **Approval of the Agenda**

First: Randy Brady  
Second: Anna Anderson  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

### **Conflict of Interest Declaration**

Board members present verified that their positions did not create a conflict of interest with the items on the Board's Agenda.

### **Approval of July Minutes**

First: Anna Anderson  
Second: Randy Brady  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

### **Public Comment**

Pam Albrecht (Grandmother of an NMFA student) – is interested in joining the school board. Worked for the State of Minnesota – DNR - just retired.

### **Consent Agenda**

None

### **Finance: Financial Report**

Kyle Knudson (Anton Group) – July Financial Highlights were discussed.  
Mike Flora (ACCEL Schools) – New ways to improve and keep track of expenditures were discussed.

First: Ember Russell  
Second: Anna Anderson  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

#### **Debbie Kranz new North Metro Flex Academy School Board Treasurer**

First: Ember Russell  
Second: Anna Anderson  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

#### **Board Positions**

New member: Pam Albrecht

First: Ember Russell  
Second: Anna Anderson  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

#### **NEO Points of Business**

NEO Contract was discussed. \*Updated annually

First: Anna Anderson  
Second: Randy Brady  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

#### **Accel School Report/Principal's Report**

Terri shared

- Enrollment: Total 186 (verified and registered) + 20 (in progress) = 206 students. Thinking of having a 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> split class.
- MCA scores are in and discussed.
- Recent event: "Beat the Heat" was a success, Open House Tuesdays from 4-7pm and Thursdays from 2-4pm, and this Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> is NMFA Back to School BBQ from 4-6pm Marketing: sent direct mail to 2, 422 households targeting households with 5-6 years old children. Updated flyers was created to distribute to local daycares.
- Facility report: Walls painted, floor waxed, and mats will be in Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Technology update: smart projectors will be ordered and will be installed in September. Chrome books and laptops are ordered and will be arriving soon.
- All staff will be trained on NWEA testing. First NWEA testing is in September. Staff's first day of work is August 23, 217. There will be a lot of training coming up for staff. Safety planning committee to figure out dates and procedures.
- All school assembly (possibly September 5<sup>th</sup>).
- Went to Cleveland for training and met with different staff (ACCEL).
- Meetings with NEO.

Eric shared

- Requested feedback about the new format for ACCEL report/Principal report.

#### **Old Business**

The board voted to approve three new staff Sped Paraprofessionals with one pending, Elizabeth Arredondo.

First: Randy Brady  
Second: Ember Russell  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

The board voted to approve 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> split class.

First: Anna Anderson  
Second: Randy Brady  
Vote: 4-0 in favor

EEOC complaint has no further information.

### **New Business**

Patty shared

- Lionsgate Academy is not moving.
- Would like to meet with TAG regarding school debt and train new board member; will work something out regarding a date in September (Saturday Session) to meet and talk about financials.
- ACCEL evaluation (Will be sending questions to Eric)

### **Next Board Meeting**

The next meeting will be September 20, 2017 at 6:00pm

### **Adjournment**

Time: 7:37pm

First: Randy Brady

Second: Ember Russell

Vote: 4-0 in favor