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Palouse Prairie Educational Organization
Doing business as
Palouse Prairie School of Expeditionary Learning
Business Meeting

January 24, 2013

Location: Palouse Prairie School Building, 1500 Levick St, Moscow ID

Meeting called to order at _7:05___ by Vice Chair Brian Gardner.

Attending: Nils Peterson (NP); Brian Gardner (BG); Della Bayly (DB); Joseph Erhard-Hudson(JEH); Anthony Warn (Director); Jacob Ellsworth (Teacher Rep)

Absent: Melinda Schab

Public: Greg Larson

Note Taker: Nils Peterson

1. Welcome to public audience and guests (5 min)

We welcome our guests to this evening's Palouse Prairie School board meeting. The meeting is public and has a structure to meet the legal requirements on public governing boards. At the same time we strive to have the meeting reflect the values of Palouse Prairie School. Our vision is for an inclusive, respectful and supportive learning environment. The goal for this meeting is to meet our vision, our legal requirements, and our practical need to accomplish business in an efficient manner.

Board Members will now introduce themselves.

Now, we would like to welcome members of the audience. Further in the agenda is a place for comment from the public within this board meeting. Please say your name, if you wish, so we may know who is presenting.

2. Approval of agenda

NP Amend to add 8.1 Workshop on Duties of the Board; BG 2nd. Unanimous

3. Presentations (30 minutes total)

3.1 Report on Board retreat with John LeCavalier. **Reviewed for the audience some of the discussion ideas from the Retreat Fri 18th and Sat 19th.**

3.2

4. Announcements (10 minutes)

4.1 Reminder about Strategic Planning night Jan 29 6:30-8PM

5. Approval of minutes (10 minutes)

5.1 Approve minutes from January 10, 2013

<https://docs.google.com/a/palouseprairieschool.org/document/d/1b6uR7YldUYHi86tk2CHlzaRw1HEjvJdkfh1guGMJHEU/edit>

NP moved, DB 2nd; unanimous**Chair passed to JEH**

6. Public Comment Period (limit 15 minutes)

At this point in the agenda, members of the public are welcome to come forward, identify themselves (name and address) and speak on any topic relevant to Palouse Prairie School and not on the agenda of this meeting. The time allotted for a speaker is three minutes. The Board will refrain from responding beyond asking for a clarification. The comments presented at this time will be reviewed by the Board.

Greg Larson asked about Moscow PD officer visiting the school, suggested this is important. Regarding strategic planning and grant writing, consider reaching out to partners (e.g., UI, Moscow Gov't, PCEI). How can we introduce the school to various constituencies? If there is an opportunity to make a presentation to one of these groups, it might be worth introducing ourselves.

7. Action Items (15 minutes)

7.1 Consent Agenda

Any member can ask to have an item removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as part of the regular meeting. These alterations to the agenda will happen at this point in the meeting. Removed items will be addressed immediately after the Consent Agenda. Consent Agenda items are not discussed and will be addressed as a single motion.

7.1.A. Accept December 2012 Financial Statements

7.1.B. Approval of supplemental contract for Jessie Dahlin

Motion to approve; unanimous

7.2 Adopt revised By-Laws (minor mechanical corrections) proposed Jan. 10, 2013.

NP Move to adopt; BG 2nd; unanimous7.3 Major by-law revision: new mechanisms for board elections and replacements. First draft, for formal proposal on Feb 14 2013, with potential final adoption on Feb 28, 2013. see <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B417qTOPAIHoZ0EyWmN2YjFXQTg/edit>

Motion to consider amendments of the school ByLaws. First reading on Feb 14 with potential adoption on Feb 28, 2013, including promulgation to the school community. Engage ISBA free legal review. Share draft with IPCSC for their comment.

NP motion; BG 2nd; unanimous

These amendments modify the process for selecting members of the Board, see:

**Article IV Board of Directors
Article V Election of Board Members
Article VI Board Member Terms
Article IX Board Member Vacancies**

8. Workshops

8.1 Duties of the Board **Activities that evolve out of our Mission (discussion for next meeting)**

**Nurture the school's Vision and Mission
Maintain relations with Expeditionary Learning
Foster relations with the school community (families & staff)
Foster relations of the School (broadly) with the larger community
Model an inclusive, respectful and supportive learning environment**

**Next steps: revisit the Board Recruiting document. Feb 1 JEH and BG to meet and revise Board Member Recruiting Info Sheet .
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-neo_4xZzzhYTUOREZEWU-IZBCOsmVVRU_BkyOC7_4c/edit**

9. Executive Session (15 minutes)

Preparation for mid-year Director's performance assessment

Entered Exec Session at 8:05.

John LeCavalier has been encouraging us to initiate a review, especially for a new hire. The Board broadly discussed elements and mechanisms for a useful formative review.

Concluded Exec Session at 9:07

Meeting adjourned at 9:07.

2012-2013 Board of Directors

Nils Peterson, Co-Secretary; term expires 2013

Joseph Erhard-Hudson, Chair; term expires 2013

Brian Gardner, Vice Chair and Treasurer; term expires 2014

Melinda Schab, Co-Secretary; term expires 2015

Della Bayly, term expires 2014