

Flat River Academy Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 11th, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

Proposed Meeting Minutes

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
 - A. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.
 - B. Roll call – Present - Jason Olvera, Jen Gibson, Jen Piotrowski, James Popma, Angela Pluskhat
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - A. The board reviewed the agenda.
 - B. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Jen Piotrowski, seconded by Jen Gibson agreed by Jason Olvera James Popma and Angela Pluskhat.
 - 1. Motion passed
- IV. Approval of March 14th Regular Minutes
 - A. The board reviewed the March 14th meeting minutes.
 - B. Motion to approve the March 14th meeting minutes was made by Jen Piotrowski, seconded by Jen Gibson agreed by Jason Olvera, James Popma and Angela Pluskhat.
 - 1. Motion passed
- V. New Business - none
- VI. Old Business - none
- VII. Principal's Report
 - A. Student growth discussion. Preparing for MSTEP.
 - B. Upcoming field trips to Meijer Gardens and the Zoo.
 - C. Family Night discussion and parent survey results
 - 1. Very positive
 - 2. Good time of day and day of the week – Friday evening
 - 3. Suggested snack or food at the next Family Night.
 - D. 8th grade end of year trip – They would like to go to Michigan Adventure. The students are fundraising for this. Question as to whether we should use the bus.
 - E. Developmental Kindergarten discussion – Noticing that for various reasons the gap in kindergarten seems to be larger than usual. Many students coming in on waivers or not attending any previous school experiences. Many of these students would benefit from an additional year of kindergarten and a more developmental approach to prepare them for school. Recommendation of a pilot Developmental Kindergarten with a cap of 12 students.
- VIII. Midwest School Services
 - A. March 2022 Financials
 - 1. Lori Mochty from Midwest Management reviewed the financials with the board.
 - 2. Motion to approve the March 2022 financials was made by Jen Gibson, seconded by Jen Piotrowski, agreed by Jason Olvera James Popma and Angela Pluskhat.

a. Motion passed

IX. Extended public comments on non-agenda item- none

X. Board Comments

A. Jason Olvera discussed that he got a debit card for the school to use for purchases to help reduce the number of reimbursements to the principal. Lori Mochty discussed the negative implications that could happen if the card is used a lot or not carefully tracked for purchases. She suggested that opening more business accounts with places such as Oriental Trading and Amazon to make purchases and avoid having to wait for reimbursements. Flat River Academy will pursue additional accounts and only use the debit card for situations that need immediate payment.

XI. Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date: May 9th , 2022 at 6:30 p.m.at Flat River Academy

XII. Adjournment

A. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jen Piotrowski, seconded by Angela Pluskhat, agreed by James Popma, Jen Gibson and Jason Olvera.

1. Motion passed – 7:47pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____