



**North Side Community School
Special Board Meeting Agenda
January 9, 2018, 4:45 pm
3033 North Euclid Avenue**

Conference Line: 1-800-356-8278 access code: 574828 ~ Host Code. 7654

- 4:45 p.m. Call to Order
Review of Minutes of 11/14 board meeting and 12/11 special board meeting
- 4:50 p.m. Katherine Banister, BJC Behavioral Health, Educational Support Counselor to NSCS, report to board
- 5:05 p.m. Administration Report
Status of security improvements at ECC – Brian
Succession plans – John, Stella and Janine
- 5:30 p.m. Committee Reports
Development – Beth and Muriel
Barb Wallace and Stacey Erker, update on spring fundraiser
RFP for capital campaign feasibility study
Finance – Brian (Sue will attend by phone)
Facilities – Kathy and Ryan
Human Resources – Vivian, Search Committee
Governance
President – formation of Executive Committee
- 6:15 p.m. Executive Session

North Side Community School

Board Meeting Minutes

November 14, 2017

Present: Chris Haffenreffer (phone), Tom Hoerr, Jim Brigham, Vivian Gibson (phone), Alison Nash, Bill M. (UMSL), Ken Rinderknecht, Michael Zuccarello, Kathy Anderson, Byron Francis

Staff: John Grote, Stella Erundu, Janine Gorrell, Brian Gross, Muriel Smith, Caroline Brightman, Hannah Finfrock, Sarah Sanchez

Minutes of the September board meeting were approved.

Friends Helping Friends co-chairs Barb Wallace and Stacey Erker reviewed plans for the event at Windows on Washington in April.

Finance: Brian reviewed August financials, check register (approved). Audit was reviewed and approved. If necessary, Westbrook can review the audit at the January meeting.

Administration report of security: Brian reviewed the security incidents for this year. Physical security measures were described (gates and fences), surveillance system upgraded described, security guard expansion announced.

ECC security issue addressed: Major Hayden of SLPD described situation in the neighborhood around ECC and measures being taken to address it. Gang activity reported. Major was followed by James Clark of Better Family Life. He described his work in city neighborhoods to reduce violence and stabilize community.

Board discussion of ECC security issues: assessment of situation given, concerns expressed about use of ECC with violence in neighborhood, security system at ECC described. Brian described surveillance improvements. Deep concern expressed by board members about recent incidents at ECC. Discussion of possibility of closing ECC and moving it to main campus. Temporary facilities on main campus described by Kathy Anderson.

General security policy and procedures discussed. Concern about lack of formal board and school policies and procedures. Process for creating policies and procedures established. Brian will circulate a draft to the governance committee by Monday 20th.

A special meeting to review security issues will take place on December 6th at 4:45.

Next board meeting is Jan. 9th. Special meeting to review Strategic Planning report is set for Jan. 30, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by _____

Vivian Gibson, Board Secretary

North Side Community School
Special Board Meeting Minutes

Dec. 11, 2017

Present: Chris Haffenreffer (phone), Tom Hoerr, Jim Brigham, Vivian Gibson (phone), Alison Nash, Tad Hartmen (UMSL), Michael Zuccarello, Kathy Anderson, Byron Francis, Beth Louis,

Staff: John Grote, Stella Erondy, Janine Gorrell, Brian Gross, Muriel Smith, Caroline Brightman, Hannah Finfrock, Sarah Sanchez, Celeste Keys, Megan Tosh, Early Neal

Special meeting called to review security issues at ECC.

John and Brian reviewed the status of action items emerging from the November board meeting.

1. Review of board policies and procedures circulated and approved since Nov. meeting
2. Security at ECC: review of progress on gate and deflection barrier. Cost estimates given for both but do not have firm estimates. Deflection barrier least certain as to material and costs
3. Security personnel: have 2 — an off-duty police officer and NS security guard. Time split between two campuses
4. Main campus: electronic access control at main gate to be installed over Christmas break, Kingshighway to be closed during the day
5. Training program and drills for active shooter/intruder planned for January

Potential relocation of students from ECC to main campus: Ryan Bumb described the options and cost projections for modular units on main campus. Timeline was discussed. Not possible until next school year. Question of zoning of main campus arose. Locations of modular units described and discussed.

Ross Woolsey, founder and former Finance and Operations Director, spoke to the board about the ECC, the history of the school, the relationship of the school to the community, fundraising. He made the case that staying in the ECC and engaged with the local community are part of NS original mission.

A full and lively discussion of the pros and cons of moving out of ECC followed. A teacher rep from ECC spoke. Stella and Janine gave results of talks with ECC teachers. Discussion turned to security steps to be taken at ECC. Based on initial estimates, the board moved and approved expenditures up to \$50,000 for installation of an electronic gate and deflection barrier at ECC.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Submitted by

Vivian Gibson, Board Secretary