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## MINUTES

### BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 20, 2021 at 6:30 PM. Wooden Hills Community Center West,  
11720 Woodmen Hills Drive, Peyton, CO 80831

#### 1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

#### 2.0 Roll Call and establishment of a quorum

Board meeting for the LTA Board of Directors was called to order at 6:30 PM by the President Michelle Morin. The following board members were present, Ms. Michelle Morin, Mr. Michael Johnson, Mr. Bill Garrett and Mr. Michael Peterson.

#### 3.0 Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance were welcomed and invited them to join the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 4.0 School Mission & Vision

Ms. Morin opened the meeting by reading both the Liberty Tree Mission and the school's vision.

#### 5.0 Approval of Agenda

Ms. Morin made a motion to approve tonight's agenda, with the following amendments: discuss changes to LTA's Enrollment Policy, additional Board members, and Board member's retreat, seconded by Mr. Garrett, motion carried, vote 4-0.

#### 6.0 Public Comment

No comments

#### 7.0 Previous Meeting Minutes

Ms. Morin made a motion to accept previous meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Garrett, motion carried, vote 4-0.

#### 8.0 Principal Report

Board members received Principal's report previously by Mrs. Wilson's email. Mrs. Wilson briefed the Board on the latest District Charter School CMAS and PSAT Scores and how LTA's averages compare positively against the District and state averages. Mrs. Wilson also mentioned how receptive the parents are on LTA's new approved Security Plan. Ms. Morin made a motion and Mr. Garrett seconded, to allow Mrs. Wilson to use her judgement on be able to attend District and State trainings. Motion carried, vote 4-0.

## **9.0 Financial Report**

Mrs. Hands presented the 2020-2021 Audit, highlights included Government-Wide Financial information to include the State's PERA retirement deficits, General balance sheet identifying \$2.3 million, liability of \$279 thousand, and TABOR figures of \$146 thousand. Summary area of the audit was also emphasized with net positive findings. Ms. Morin made a motion to accept the 2020-2021 Audit Report, seconded by Mr. Garrett, motion passed, vote 4-0.

## **10.0 Executive Session 24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S., Staff Salaries**

Ms. Morin entered the Board into the Executive Session at 7:05 PM. Discussions centered on Staff salaries. Ms. Morin exited the Board from the Executive Session at 7:11 PM. Ms. Morin made a motion to agree to salary raises for Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hands, Mr. Garrett seconded, motion passed, vote 4-0.

## **11.0 LTA High School Spring Break Trip**

Mrs. Wilson briefed the Board of the upcoming Spring Break Europe trip. Discussions centered on ensuring members attending the trip understand the risks of traveling overseas and that LTA is not held responsible for the decisions of those attending the trip. Ms. Morin made a motion to investigate and discuss concerns with LTA's legal team, seconded by Mr. Garrett, motion carried, vote 4-0.

## **12.0 Place Holder for Other Business**

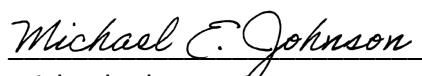
Mrs. Hands presented to the Board members required Board Training Retreat or on-line training availabilities. Date for the Retreat will be sent as soon it can be verified, unconfirmed date is on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Oct.

LTA Enrollment Policy change request based on an audit found our current statement needs to be amended to include students with disabilities information will not be required until after the student has been admitted and enrolled in the charter school. Ms. Morin made a motion to accept the change in wording regarding students with disabilities, seconded by Mr. Garrett, motion passed, vote 4-0.

The addition of LTA Board members. Mr. Garrett brought up the need to expand the school board membership and had two candidates that may fit LTA's values and ideals. Mr. Garrett passed on to the Board members resumes to consider. Ms. Morin mentioned that she would reach out to them and discuss the possibilities of becoming a valued member of LTA's Board of Directors.

## **13.0 Adjournment**

Ms. Morin made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 PM, Mr. Garrett seconded, motion carried, vote 4-0.

  
Michael Johnson, Secretary LTA