

Liberty Tree Academy

February 22, 2024

Board Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order @ 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Geitner
2. Roll call and Establishment of Quorum by Mr. Geitner: All board members present except Mrs. Swenson
3. Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Geitner
4. Mission and Vision: Mrs. Helland
5. Founding Father Quote: Mr. Stuckwisch
6. Approval of Agenda: Motion to adopt agenda, Mrs. Helland. Second given by Mr. Johnson. No opposition.
7. Board Members Report: **Mrs. Revord**- Nothing to Report, **Mrs. Russell**- Attended LTA basketball camp. Mr. Markel did a great job with the camp and the kid's enjoyed it. **Mrs. Helland**- Nothing to report. **Mr. Geitner**- LTA received extension into 2028 from D49 Board. Contracts will be finalized in the near future. **Mr. Johnson**- Asked for clarification from Mr. Manley regarding tennis balls on chairs in some classrooms. Tennis balls are on the chairs to protect the floor. **Mr. Stuckwisch**- Attended Senior Night for basketball games. More seating is needed in gym. Game's were fun. Great to see LTA Senior's and their families. Invited Cheer Team to be represented at Board Meeting. Cheer Team went to National's in Dallas, TX and took 12th in the Nation. Invited Cheer Coaches and Cheer Team to speak about Cheer Team: Coach Waters, Mr. Markel, and several Cheer Team girls spoke of what a fun and positive experience they have had, and how much growth they have made.
Cheer Team dismissed @ 6:50 p.m. by Mr. Geitner
8. Principal Report: Mr. Manley
Enrollment update. Lottery not needed for 2024. Waiting List in some grades.
Attended Parent's Challenge Event with some LTA Staff at Great Wolf Lodge. Parent's Challenge event is a School choice group that holds an annual event. Worth continuing to go to for the opportunity to spread word about LTA.
Visited Hillsdale job fair. LTA is establishing a good relationship with Hillsdale. Received positive feedback from Hillsdale. Visiting Hillsdale's job fair is worth continuing to go back for to find grad student's in the future.

Working on finalizing letters of Intent to Return and positions that will be posted for next year. There will be open positions due to retirements and movement of staff. Will be attending some job fairs in Colorado if needed.

Tryouts for Track and Field and Boys Volleyball will be starting soon.

Facilities: Found a place that can provide materials to replace siding on side of building.

Financials: Mrs. Miller - Received first batch of MLO funds. Will be doing a submission at the end of February for payroll/salary adjustments. D49 responding quickly for submission requests.

Mr. Manly- Staff has worked really hard through flu season and sickness. Student's and staff have been affected by sickness and absences through flu season. Hoping to turn the corner before Spring Break.

Mr. Geitner- Enrollment Numbers: Wanting to get more specific numbers on how many seats are open in each grade. Mr. Manley has stated that more accurate numbers will be available after we have confirmation of returning students. 11th and 12th grade is where most availability is.

Mrs. Helland- Would possibly like to host LTA 8th grade transition night to promote enrollment for highschool. Would like to market to like-minded charter schools. Mr. Manley will coordinate something like an 8th grade transition night.

9. Board Discussion:

- a. Board Retreat: March 16th @ 12-4 p.m. in person
- b. Legislation and Impacts: Mr. Geitner: SB 131 and HB 1310 will impact and prohibit our ability to control security on LTA campus. Colorado General Assembly gives information on Bills. The Committee Hearing offers an opportunity to speak. Mr. Geitner states he is willing to speak in opposition to both Bills at the Capital.
- c. Resolution: Resolution No. 2024-02-22-A to be reviewed and adopted by LTA Board of Directors

10. Public Comment: Mr. Geitner offered public comment. No public comment.
11. Action Items: Mr. Geitner: Resolution No.2024-02-22-A
Mr. Stuckwisch: Motion to bring to vote Resolution No. 2024-02-22-A
Mr. Johnson: Seconds Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2024-02-22-A
Roll Call Vote: All six present board members vote YEA with a 6-0 vote.
No Opposition given by any board members.
12. Executive Session: Mrs. Helland: Motion to move into Executive Session.
Mr. Johnson: Second to move into Executive Session.
Executive Session start time @ 7:24 p.m. with all present board members,
Mr. Manley, and Mrs. Miller.
13. Announcements: Mr. Geitner: Retreat is March 16th, 12-4 p.m.
Next board meeting is March 21st, 2024.
14. Adjournment @ 8:53 p.m.