

*Wellspring Preparatory High School
Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 7:30 am*

Meeting held at:

Wellspring Preparatory High School
1031 Page St NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49505

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	PRESENT	UNABLE TO ATTEND
Janice Hidalgo – Secretary	X	
Pat Sandro – President	X	
Sheryl Siegel – Vice-President	X	
Fred Slade - Treasurer	X	

Non-Board Members Attending:

- 1) Dave Angerer – Director of Educational Services, PrepNet
- 2) Sam Becker – Assistant Principal, Wellspring Prep
- 3) DonKiece George – Student
- 4) Jessica Knoth – Principal, Wellspring Prep
- 5) Mark Lemoine – Board Candidate
- 6) Sean McAnally – Board Relations, PrepNet
- 7) Tim Morris – Field Representative, BMCC
- 8) Cindy Pointe – Parent
- 9) Dr. Aric Smith – Parent

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Sandro called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Mr. McAnally administered the Oath of Office to Mark Lemoine for a three-year appointment to the Board of Directors.

2. ROLL CALL AND BOARD APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Roll call was taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Slade and supported by Ms. Hidalgo to approve the Board Meeting Agenda as amended to include Action Item 8b – Approval of PrepNet to Contract with Kent ISD for Fingerprint Background Check Services. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Wellspring Prep parents Dr. Smith and Mrs. Pointe introduced themselves to the Board and stated they were looking forward to the facility update.

4. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. School Leadership Report

Ms. Knoth introduced Mr. Becker to the Board. Mr. Becker shared his background and passion and the Board welcomed him to Wellspring Prep and congratulated him on his appointment to the school leadership team.

Ms. Knoth introduced Mr. George to the Board. Mr. George spoke about his experience at Wellspring going into his fourth and final year. He spoke about the openness and trust he and other students have in teachers and administrators, and how he has grown as a student and a young man over his four years at Wellspring Prep. The Board thanked Mr. George and wished him well in his final year and future plans.

Ms. Knoth presented Fall NWEA results and answered questions from the Board in discussion. Mr. Angerer shared that the math growth demonstrated at Wellspring Prep last school year was exemplary and the math department is providing leadership to the other math teachers in the PrepNet network.

Ms. Knoth presented preliminary enrollment demographics information and answered questions from the Board in discussion.

b. Board Fund Report

There was no Board Fund Report to discuss.

Ms. Knoth presented a draft Board Fund Budget proposal for Board consideration. After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Hidalgo and supported by Ms. Siegel to approve the Board Fund Budget proposal as amended to replace Student Clubs with the National Charter Schools Conference. The 2015-16 Board Funds Budget totaling \$34,094.19 is comprised of \$22,594.19 for athletics, \$2,000 for music, \$2,000 for art, \$2,000 for the National Charter Schools Conference, \$500 for student incentives, \$2,000 for field trips, and \$3,000 for graduation.

c. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Update

Mr. McAnally provided an update that Kent Intermediate School District had graciously agreed to contract with the school to serve as the Authorized Recipient for fingerprint background checks for adults working in the school. He stated the Michigan State Police have been sent the required Registration Form by the October 12 deadline. The proposed Action Item would approve PrepNet to finalize and execute the draft agreement with Kent ISD for this service.

5. COMMENTS BY AUTHORIZER

Mr. Morris reminded the Board of the upcoming BMCSO Board Training event scheduled for November 10th in Grand Rapids. Mr. Lemoine stated he intended to attend the November 9th training in Novi due to a conflict on the 10th.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. National Charter Schools Conference Report

Ms. Siegel delivered a report on the 2015 National Charter Schools Conference, and the Board discussed several of the points raised.

b. Facility Update

Ms. Knoth presented a preliminary plan and timeline for upcoming renovations to the facility that would include a new entrance/Commons area, larger gym, renovated restroom and locker room facilities, as well as ongoing upgrades and expansion of classroom space. The Board discussed the presentation and anticipated further updates at upcoming meetings.

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of the September 9, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Hidalgo and supported by Ms. Siegel to approve the September 9, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Approval of PrepNet to Contract with Kent Intermediate School District for Fingerprint Background Processing Services

A motion was made by Ms. Hidalgo and supported by Ms. Siegel to approve PrepNet to contract with Kent ISD on the school's behalf for fingerprint background processing services. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

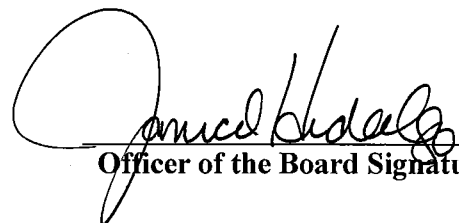
No Board comments were given.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Dr. Smith stated he was happy to see progress on the facility improvements and looks forward to future updates.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.



Officer of the Board Signature