



## The Schools of McKeel Academy

McKeel Academy of Technology  
McKeel Elementary Academy (dba McKeel Academy Central)  
South McKeel Academy

### Board of Trustees Meeting

#### MINUTES

April 15, 2014

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The meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Tuesday, April 15, 2014, at The Schools of McKeel Academy Business Office. The meeting was called to order by Chair Taylor Caffey at 8:05 a.m. Trustees present included Taylor Caffey, Stephanie L. Campbell, John Stargel, and Phillip Walker. Trustee Seth McKeel attended via conference call. Staff present included Alan Black, Julie Ehnle, Judi Morris, Michele Spurgeon, Linda Acocelli, Susan Black, Mary White, and Olivia Hazell. Johnna Martinez and Erin Ferguson from the GiveWell Community Foundation were also in attendance.

➤ **Public Comment**

There was no one from the public wishing to address the Board.

➤ **GiveWell Community Foundation**

Ms. Martinez and Ms. Ferguson presented the Board with a check for \$5000 awarded to SMA as part of the Impact Polk competitive grant program for "Bring the World into the Classroom Using Interactive Videoconferencing to Gain 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills."

*Upon a motion made by Phillip Walker, seconded by Stephanie L. Campbell, the motion to accept the \$5000 grant funds from the GiveWell Community Foundation carried unanimously.*

➤ **Consent Agenda**

- Approval of Minutes: 3/18/14 Finance Committee; 3/18/14 Board of Trustees; 3/31/14 Search Committee
- Approval of the Proposed School Calendar for the 2014/15 School Year
- Approval of the Dart Foundation Grant for MAT

Mr. Caffey entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

*Upon a motion made by Phillip Walker, seconded by John Stargel the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented carried unanimously.*

➤ **Old Business**

**Search Committee**

Mr. Caffey reminded committee members to submit their evaluations for the final round of applicants for the Director of Schools to Mrs. Hazell by Wednesday, 4/16/14.

**Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee met on 4/14/14, to discuss findings during the auditor's interim fieldwork and to address concerns. The audit is on schedule and we expect all fieldwork to be completed in August. Draft audit reports will be submitted to the Board at the September meeting.

**Quarterly Financial Statements**

Ms. Ehnle presented the quarterly financial statements for each school to the Board. She then fielded questions from the Board concerning the statements.

**3-1 Contract Update**

Mr. Black received the "clean" copy of the contract from PCSB and will review it with Attorney Daniel Woodring. The contract will be presented to the Board at the May meeting for approval. Mr. Black will send

out a copy of the contract for Board members to review prior to the meeting. The contract will then be sent to PCSB for approval.

**CRA Property Update**

Mr. Black attended the CRA meeting with Board members. There is still a question of the property being donated or leased to TSMA. Mr. Black will work with Daniel Woodring and David Miller to negotiate the details.

➤ **New Business**

**Diversity Information**

Mr. Black presented diversity information for staff and student populations at all three schools. We are actively looking for ways to increase diversity in our schools.

**Teacher Evaluation System**

Administrators have been discussing using the Marzano Evaluation System. The Board agreed to approve of funds to be used to purchase the Marzano Teacher Evaluation System in the amount of \$40,000. If Administration decides to use a different system they will come back to the Board for approval.

*Upon a motion made by John Stargel, seconded by Stephanie L. Campbell, the motion to approve of \$40,000 to purchase the Marzano Teacher Evaluation System carried unanimously.*

➤ **Other**

**Approval of New Hire at MAT**

Randy Manzi has been hired as the Band Director for MAT.

*Upon a motion made by John Stargel, seconded by Phillip Walker, the motion to approve the hiring of Randy Manzi as the Band Director for MAT, carried unanimously.*

**Executive Committee Meeting**

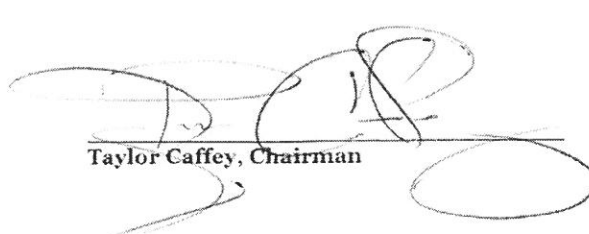
Mr. Caffey called for an Executive Committee meeting to be scheduled in May to set the agenda for the Annual meeting. Mrs. Hazell will contact the Executive Committee to determine the date.

**School Reports**

Principals presented their school reports which will become a permanent part of the record of this meeting.

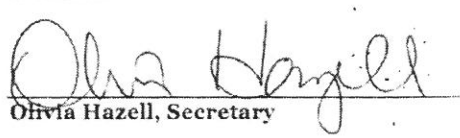
➤ **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:53 a.m.



Taylor Caffey, Chairman

ATTEST:



Olivia Hazell, Secretary