



L.C. Fulenwider Campus

Governing Board

Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 5, 2022

6:00 – 8:00 pm

STEAD School

18521 Homestead Trail, Commerce City, CO 80022

Via Zoom Meeting

Board members in attendance: Ashley DeLorenzo, Alex Chavez, Amy Schwartz, Charles Dukes, Cheyenne Watson, Kelly Leid, Sarie Patterson and Tim Gallagher,

Absent board members: Jason McEldowney, Jen Torres, Maura O’Neal and Mizraim Cordero,

Staff members in attendance: Amie Weldy, Candace Cheung, and Michelle Oray

Absent staff members:

Other attendees: Kenlyn Newman, Keely Thompson and Shannon

Opening Items

- Amy called the meeting to order at 6:02pm and declared a quorum of the STEAD Board at 6:02pm
- Kelly motioned to approve the board meeting minutes from 11/7/2022 Tim seconded it and the board unanimously approved.

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Committee Updates

- Principal Update-
 - Amie shared a dashboard that holds performance, attendance, and will hold MAPS and PSAT data in the future. Our last exhibition night for this year is December 15th.
 - Y2 Enrollment/Y3 Recruitment—We are currently at 258 students enrolled. We have visited 2 middle schools this week and we are continuing to visit, recruitment

for next year is underway. We have a student night for potential students this Thursday night (December 8th, 2022) and it is already full at 80 guests. They are beginning to put together intent to enroll numbers for Y3.

- Y2 Staff Hiring & leadership team—We partnered with 27J to fill our part-time school psychologist, they will be with us 2 days out of the week starting after the break.
- STEM Certification Status- The staff did a local conversation/self-assessment on where we are right now for COGNIA's 30 standards; this data will be a part of the executive summary that has been submit to the team.

- Site & Facilities Development & Planning—
 - Phase I—the removal of the temporary walls in place of the garage doors is planned for completion over Winter Break.
 - Phase II (Building B) Construction Update—The feedback from students and staff has been overwhelmingly positive since moving into the space. This also increased the size of the courtyard. The Ancillary buildings will be completed before the new year. Despite the challenges, we will come up under budget for the building. We will start the legacy plaza in the spring of 2023.
 - Phase III Planning (Building C + Annex)—the funding is coming from the district and the agreements and deal are in the signature phase. Our goal is to issue a notice to proceed to Saunders on Wednesday, December 7th, 2022. This will allow for an excavation beginning the week of 12/12/2022. Amie and Kelly are working to plan a student led ceremonial groundbreaking and will have an update within this week.

- Fundraising & Partnerships –
 - We did receive two grants from the WEND Grant and the Reunion Community Foundation. Through the work the students on initiatives they would like to see they were awarded the WEND Grant. The students will begin working on these initiatives in the new year.
 - Daniels Fund— We have another proposal due Thursday and we have put together a request for \$240,000.00. This would include \$100K for our current operating budget, \$60K in stipends for staff to work over the summer, and the remainder to fund a part-time consulting position to build our CTE internship experiences. Amy entertained a motion to approve the submission of the Daniels Fund Request for \$240,000.00. Tim motioned to approve, Charles seconded and the board unanimously approved.
 - BEST Grant coming up—This is a facilities funding program through the state. This opportunity will open in January, and we will be learning more about this upcoming later this month. The approximate total cost for Phase IV will be between \$10k-\$12K.

- Election
 - Current Board Terms—Tim suggested adding our Board Terms be added to the website. Amy shared these in an email following the last meeting.
 - Board Retreat dates—Amy will be sending an email to discuss and poll for dates and availability of the Board.

- Finance Committee/27J Mill Levy 2022-
 - October Financials were sent around for review.
 - 2022-23 Budget Revision—Amy made a motion to approve the Revised Budget for 2022-23 as presented; Kelly motioned, and Tim seconded. The Board discussed the 2022-2023 Budget Revision with 257 as the enrolled number. Shannon walked the Board through the budget revisions and addressed areas of concerns and questions. With the discussion completed, the Board unanimously approved the Revised Budget for 2022-2023 as presented.

- DE&I Diversity Strategy Committee—We did not have any updates for this meeting.

- Other Business—
 - Staff Holiday Party—December 16th is a Holiday celebration day for the community and would look to do a Board sponsored social event for the staff that afternoon. PAC is doing the gift cards this year and will continue to take donations through December 21st in increments of \$5-\$25.
 - SAC Report—Keely will share both the student and parent surveys for Amie to review from the operational side and asked that a few Board members also review for any suggested changes or additions to the questions. We will be digging into the finances at the SAC January meeting to share feedback.
 - Our next accelerator week is the stock show. We are close to a commitment from CSU Spur for using their facilities for the half of the students not at the stock show.

Closing Items

- Amy entertained a motion to adjourn, Kelly motioned to adjourn; Tim seconded, and the board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm.