

Sojourner Truth Academy

Special Board Meeting Minutes

May 7th, 2019

1) Call to order

- a) Judy Hinck called to order a scheduled meeting of the Sojourner Truth Academy School Board meeting at 7:06 a.m. on May 7th, 2019 in STA's conference room.
- b) Meghan Bridges conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:
Members: Judy Hinck, Meghan Bridges, Kelly Vega, Gina Privratsky, Michael Williams, Pam Young
Ex-Officio: Julie Guy and Troy Kipper
Guests: Paula Letourneau, Paris Ford, and Sarah Toley
Absent:

2) Action Items

- a) Approval of Agenda
** Gina Privratsky made a motion to approve the agenda, Pam Young 2nd the motion – Motion was passed without objection.
- b) Review and Approval of April Minutes.
**Meghan Bridges made a motion to approve the April minutes, Pam Young 2nd motion- Motion was passed without objection.
- c) Benefits
 - Medical insurance bids from Preferred One, BCBS of MN, Health Partners, and PEIP
 - Cost increases:
 - Preferred One: 8.7%
 - BCBS: 29.06%
 - Health Partners: 15.01%
 - PEIP: 3.22%

**Gina Privratsky made a motion to approve continuing plan medication insurance with Preferred One; Kelly Vega 2nd motion- Motion was passed without objection.

 - Dental insurance binds from Delta and Health Partners
 - Cost increases:
 - Delta Dental: -3.68
 - Health Partners Plan 1: -23.51%
 - Health Partners Plan 2: 3.32%

**Gina Privratsky made a motion to approve continuing plan with Delta Dental, Kelly Vega 2nd motion- Motion was passed without objection.
- d) New Business
 - Michael Williams for Treasurer
**Kelly Vega nominated, Meghan Bridges 2nd

- Junk Hinck for Board Chair
**Gina Privratsky nominated, Meghan bridges 2nd
- Meghan Bridges for Secretary
**Kelly Vega nominated, Gina Privratsky 2nd
- Pam Young for Vice Chair
**Kelly Vega nominated, Gina Privratsky 2nd

3) Non-Action Items

- a) Mission Minute
 - Gina Privratsky shared feeling part of a family story; Judy Hinck will be leading next mission minute
- b) Public Comment
 - No comment made
- c) School Board Academy
 - Academy to prepare and inspire parents and community members to serve as competent and effective charter school board members who advance their school's mission and increase student achievement
 - Cohort dates released for Sept. 7th, Oct. 5th, Nov. 2nd, Dec. 7th
- d) Strategic Plan
 - Previous meeting board planned language around staff supports and equity goals
 - Staff supports: support and retain world class educators to nurture and teach scholars while recruiting highly qualified individuals, staff, and teachers
 - Equity: build equity and freedom of bias for scholars, staff, and families to promote
 - Strategic plan “academic” goal language
 - Academics: Prepare and support scholars for college and career readiness through fostering a love for learning and achieving their academic potential
- e) Board Meeting Times
 - Discussion of moving board meetings to Monday's at 3:30 pm

4) Adjournment

- Judy Hinck adjourned the meeting at 8:15 a.m.
**Pam Young made a motion to approve; Gina Privratsky 2nd motion

Next meeting: May 14th, 2019 at 7:00 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Meghan Bridges