

**Spero Academy**  
**Board Minutes**  
**May 22nd, 2018 @ 5:30**

Grace Center Break Room  
1534 Sixth Street NE  
Minneapolis, MN 55413

**MISSION**

*To provide students with a personalized and adaptive education to grow academically, emotionally, and socially.*

We Believe... Every child can learn, grow, and succeed when given the opportunity to reach his or her individual potential.

We focus our resources and energy on developing our *core capabilities* to achieve our Strategic Intent:

- Create *differentiated programs* that integrate academics with emotional and social learning
- Comprehensively *identify individual education needs and learning styles*
- Utilize *collaborative teaming* among staff, specialists and families to integrate and coordinate personalized education
- Structure learning environment with *small student- to- teacher ratios*
- Assess *student progress* across all learning areas

**1.0 Call to Order**

1.1	Roll Call:	
	Donna Piazza (Board Chair)	P
	Crystal Totten (Board Treasurer)	P
	Katie Rose Kammerude (Board Co-Sec)	A
	Taryn McGovern (Board Co-Sec)	P
	JoAnna Hicks	P
	Tony Farah	A
	Karen Marshall	P
	Beth Praska	A
	Shannan Paul	P
	Director Chipp Windham	P
	Dana Peterson (UST)	A
	Kou Vang (JB Realty)	A
	Justin Fincher (JB Realty)	P
	Chandra Stone (FSA)	A
	Chris Bentley (FSA)	A
	Kirk Wahlstrom (FSA)	P
	Jenny Abbs (BerganKDV)	A

- 1.2 Approval of the Order of the Agenda\*  
Motion: To approve the Order of the Agenda  
M/S/P: J.Hicks/S.Paul/Passed

## **2.0 Information and Communications**

- 2.1 Public Comment
- 2.2 Justin Fincher (JB Realty) Comments
- 2.3 HDR Comments
- 2.4 Director Report\*
- 2.5 Authorizer Comments

## **3.0 Approval of the Consent Agenda**

Motion: To approve the Consent Agenda

M/S/P: C.Totten/J.Hicks/Passed

- 3.1 April 2018 Meeting Minutes\*
- 3.2 April 2018 Checks and Wires\*
- 3.3 Employee Changes:
- 3.4 Donations for April 2018:
- 3.5 Volunteer Hours for April 2018:
- 3.6 Edupoint Contract\*
- 3.7 Special Education Statement of Assurances Application State Fiscal Year 2019\*
- 3.8 Resolution approving FSA Board Members\*

## **4.0 Standing Committee Reports**

- 4.1 Accountability—Taryn McGovern Chair
- 4.2 Facilities —Tony Farah, Co-Chair and Joanna Hicks, Co-Chair
  - 4.2.a Grace Center Finance Statement\*
  - 4.2.b New Building Update
- 4.3 Finance —Crystal Totten, Treasurer, Chair
  - 4.3.a April Financials\*
  - 4.3.b Budget Approval  
Motion to approve the FY19 Budget.\*  
M/S/P: C.Totten/J.Hicks/Passed
  - 4.3.c Spero Academy 990\*
  - 4.3.d Friends of Spero 990\*
- 4.4 Governance—Donna Piazza, Chair
  - 4.4.a Election of Board Officers  
Motion to approve the election of Donna Piazza as Board Chair  
M/S/P: D.Piazza/S.Paul/Passed

Motion to approve the election of JoAnna Hicks as Vice-Chair  
M/S/P: D.Piazza/C.Totten/Passed

Motion to approve the election of Taryn McGovern as Secretary  
M/S/P: D.Piazza/J.Hicks/Passed

Motion to approve the election of Karen Marshall as Treasurer  
M/S/P: D.Piazza/C.Totten/Passed

#### 4.4.b University of St. Thomas Renewal Agreement

Motion to approve The University of St. Thomas Authorizer Five Year Agreement.\*

M/S/P: D.Piazza/S.Paul/Passed

#### 4.4.b2 Signatures of Compliance Agreement for Board Members\*

#### 4.4.c Articles of Incorporation\*

Motion to Amend the Articles of Incorporation to change the registered office of the corporation to 2701 California St. N.E., Minneapolis, MN 55418-2606

M/S/P: D.Piazza/C.Totten/Passed

#### 4.5 Marketing—Katie Rose Kammerude, Chair

##### 4.5.a Marketing Update

### **5.0 Future Meetings Schedule with Committees\***

5.1 Next Board meeting: June 26th, 2018 at 5:30—Grace Center Break Room\*

### **6.0 Policies**

6.1 Gender Inclusion Policy\* assigned to Governance committee

### **7.0 Information and Other Business Sharing**

7.1 Post Bond Compliance\*

7.2 Annual Work Plan\*

7.3 Checklist\*

7.4 Motion to approve the presented employment agreement for Curtis Windhamm, Director of Spero Academy, for 2018-2019

M/S/P: D.Piazza/S.Paul/Passed

### **8.0 Adjournment**


Motion: To adjourn the 5/22/18 Spero Board Meeting

M/S/P: J.Hicks/C.Totten/Passed

\*Materials attached

\*\*Materials to be sent prior to meeting

\*\*\*Materials will be presented at the meeting



Taryn McGovern  
Board Secretary

8/30/18  
Date