

## Minutes for the Board Meeting of Spacious Skies Charter School

December 20, 2016 - 5:15 p.m.

Gold Hill Substation, Colorado Springs Police Department

Mission Statement: Spacious Skies, a project-based learning school, guarantees each child a quality education by providing joyful and challenging learning experiences in a safe and caring environment, empowering all students to fulfill their responsibilities and dreams.

- I. Preliminary
  - a. Call to Order – 5:15pm
  - b. Welcome to guests
    - I. Motion to welcome: Robert Ford
    - II. Second by Josh Husman, all approved
    - III. Advisory members: Diana Ford, Evelyn Ford
  - c. Roll call
    - I. Attendance: Margaret Scott, Christina Ford, Joshua Husman, Robert Ford, Roger Cortez
    - II. Absent: Laurie Eastup
  - d. Approval of previous minutes
    - I. Motion made by Josh Husman
    - II. Second by Robert Ford
    - III. Unanimously approved
  - e. Approval of agenda
    - I. Amend the agenda to include officer vote
    - II. Motion by Robert Ford
    - III. Second by Josh Husman
    - IV. Unanimously approved
  - f. Public comment – none at this time.
- II. General Agenda
  - a. Election of Officers
    - I. Treasurer: motion to nominate Laurie Eastup by Robert Ford, second by Josh Husman, discussion, roll call vote, unanimously approved
    - II. Vice President: motion to nominate Joshua Husman by Christina Ford, second by Robert Ford, discussion, roll call vote, Josh Husman abstains from vote, unanimously approved
  - b. Discuss Finance Situation
    - I. With 120 students, we will have a shortfall of \$80,000 in the second year. We will not be able to have 2 specials teachers or a full time office manager or a full time building manager. Finance committee came up with proposal to have full time office manager and have the building manager duties through volunteers. We need a contingency plan. We did get a stage 5 grant from the league to review the charter application. Another idea is to not start with 120 students in order to have enough for

### Board members:

Margaret Scott-President  
Christina Ford-Secretary  
Josh Husman-director  
Laurie Eastup-director  
Bob Ford-director  
Roger Cortez-director

### Advisory members:

Evelyn Cortez-Ford  
Diana Ford  
Julian Cortez

the specials teachers. There's a possibility that we'll start as K through 3<sup>rd</sup> rather than K through 2<sup>nd</sup>. Will follow up with the finance committee. This should be added to the agenda for the next meeting for a board vote on whether to start K through 3<sup>rd</sup> rather than K through 2<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion on whether to charge for full time kindergarten and before and after school activities as a way to absorb some of the shortfall. Possible grant solicitations to fund before and after school programs.

- III. Consent Agenda – none at this time.
- IV. Committee Reports
  - a. Academic – none at this time.
  - b. Facilities – Robert will look at Silver Key building
  - c. Governance – none at this time.
  - d. Outreach – meeting with Kaitlynn to schedule times to go to preschools.
  - e. Finance – See finance discussion above.
- V. New Business – None at this time.
- VI. Executive Session of the Board (Guests will be dismissed) – None at this time.
- VII. Adjournment
  - a. Motion by: Josh Husman
  - b. Second by: Robert Ford
  - c. Unanimously approved
  - d. Next meeting: January 15<sup>th</sup> working session at 1pm, Gold Hill Mesa