
Seven Hills Preparatory Academy Board Minutes – September 2, 2021

Approved by the board October 7, 2021

Members:

- Renson Anjere
- Lisa Barnidge
- Wes Whalberg
- Kim Hubertus
- Molly Lee
- Leah Lellman
- Janeen Raaen
- Michael Meyer
- Carl Schlueter (Ex Officio)
- Martine Walker
- Kelly Ryan
- Marla Martin

Others present: Brent Peterson, Carolyn Farrell, Samantha Strachan, SHPA Community Members- Molly Corrigan, *PTA President*, Kent Fairbairn, Karen Fairbarn, Brian Eagle, Amanda Goertz, Paul Perdue, Kathleen Tiaden, Heather Dannekes, Christy Marie, Matthew Pawlowski, and one unidentified community member.

Mission

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1. Call to order at 6:00 p.m. was made by Board Chair, Lisa Barnidge.
2. Roll Call: See above list of members in attendance (indicates present, indicates absent).
3. Approval of the agenda
 - **Motion to approve the September 2, 2021 SHPA Board agenda made by Martine Walker and seconded by Wes Whalberg. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. Approval of the August 5, 2021 Board meeting minutes --See *SHPA Board meeting minutes, August 5, 2021*

- **Motion to approve the August 5, 2021 Board meeting minutes made by Kim Hubertus and seconded by Janeen Raaen.** *Motion passed unanimously.*

5. Comments from Community Members - presented by Lisa Barnidge

- **Molly Corrigan, President of PTA-** New VP selected for PTA
- Kathleen Taden- SHPA Parent- Would like masking of students optional
- Amanda Goertz- SHPA Parent- Would like option to have kids take steady breaks daily to take off masks
- SHPA Parent- Would like flexibility with masks especially those students with anxiety/ learning disabilities

6. Monthly Financial Report – presented by Michael Meyer, *Board Treasurer, see Seven Hills Board Financial Packet July, 2021*

7. Reports

a. Finance Committee Meeting -- presented by Michael Meyer - *see Seven Hills Finance Committee meeting minutes, August 31, 2021 & August 3, 2021*

- **Motion to approve the August 3, 2021 Finance Committee meeting minutes made by Wes Whalberg and seconded by Marla Martin.** *Motion passed unanimously.*
- **Motion to approve the August 31, 2021 Finance Committee meeting minutes as amended made by Kim Hubertus and seconded by Molly Lee.** *Motion passed unanimously.*

b. Executive Director – Carl Schlueter - *see Executive Director's Report to the School Board, September 2, 2021*

- **Motion to approve the Safe Return to In-Person Learning Resolution with Face Covering and Quarantine Policies made by Martine Walker and seconded by Molly Lee.** *Motion tabled.*
- **Motion to Table the Safe Return to In-Person Learning Resolution with Face Covering and Quarantine Policies made by Kim Hubertus and seconded by Wes Whalberg.** *Motion passed unanimously.*

- **Motion to take from the table the resolution to approve the Safe Return to In-Person Learning Resolution with Face Covering and Quarantine Policies made by Kelly Ryan and seconded by Marla Martin .** *Motion passed unanimously.*
- **Motion to approve the Safe Return to In- Person Learning Resolution with Face Covering and Quarantine Policies made by Martine Walker and seconded by Molly Lee.** *Motion approved with a vote of 8 to 1.*
- **Motion to approve Policy 428 made by Kim Hubertus and Seconded by Molly Lee.** *Motion approved with a vote of 8 to 1.*
- **Motion to approve Policy 429 made by Kim Hubertus and seconded by Martine Walker.** *Motion approved with a vote of 8 to 1.*

c. Principals' Reports

- i. Principal Report – Bloomington Campus - presented by Brent Peterson - *See Principal's Report to the School Board, September 2, 2021*
- ii. Principal Report – Richfield Campus – presented by Carolyn Farrell- *See Principal's Report to the School Board, September 2, 2021*

d. Board Chair – presented by Lisa Barnidge

- i. Working Session-September 28, 2021 at 6:00 pm- Richfield Campus
- ii. Executive Committee meeting minutes -*see August 20, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes*
 - **Motion to approve Aug 20, 2021 Executive committee meeting minutes as amended made by Martine Walker and seconded by Wes Whalberg.** *Motion passed unanimously.*
- iii. October Town Hall- Tuesday, October 12, 2021- 6:30 pm- 8:00 pm
- iv. Attendee to PTA Meeting - Renson Anjere
- v. Review September School Board Calendar

e. Facilities Committee - *presented by Martine Walker*

-Committee did not meet.

f. Human Resources Committee - *presented by Molly Lee*

- Committee did not meet.

g. Governance Committee – *presented by Kim Hubertus- see August 16, 2021 Governance Committee meeting minutes*

- **Motion to approve the August 16, 2021 made by Molly Lee and seconded by Kelly Ryan.**
Motion passed unanimously.

h. Public Relations Committee- *presented by Lisa Barnidge- see August 31, 2021 PR Committee meeting minutes.*

- **Motion to approve the August 31, 2021 PR Committee meeting minutes as amended made by Kim Hubertus and seconded by Janeen Raaen.** *Motion passed unanimously.*

8. Upcoming Events:

- PTA meeting - September 9, 2021, at 6:30 pm
- Board Working Session, September 28, 2021, at 6:00 pm, at Richfield Campus

9. Next SHPA Board meeting October 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm at SHPA Richfield Campus Gymnasium

10. Board Adjourned at 7:59 p.m. by Lisa Barnidge, Board Chair

Note: As Board Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Michael Meyer abstains from voting as governance practices and MN Charter School laws state that the CFO and chief administrator may only serve as ex-officio non-voting members of the board.

Executive Director's Report to the School Board

Date: Thursday, September 2nd, 2021

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Academics

- Completed a review and analysis of the assessment data digs conducted at both campuses

Community Partnerships

- Served on a Hennepin County Panel discussing supports for returning students and families
- Finalizing the 5th Annual MN Classical Education Conference program with partner schools

Diversity and Inclusion

- Submitted Title grant application narratives based upon a review of student needs
- Met with MnEEP to review the equity pre-assessment survey and interview process

Facilities

- Prepared both campus buildings with custodial staffs for the return of staff and student
- Completed landscaping and irrigation updates at the main entrance of the Richfield Campus

Finance

- Held an LEA staff council meeting to outline the biennial compensation analysis process
- Reviewed preliminary ESSER II allocations with Math and Literacy Interventionists

School Culture

- Enjoyed successful workshops and open houses for new and returning staff and families
- Held a parent/guardian forum both in-person and virtually to review the safe return plan

Staffing

- Completed the teacher and educational assistant hiring process for the start of SY22

Recommendations

- Approve Safe Return to In-Person Learning Resolution with Face Covering and Quarantine Policies

Enrollment

- LEA Budgeted Enrollment = 1150 with 1123 currently enrolled and 10 in process = 1133 (BC KG -10)

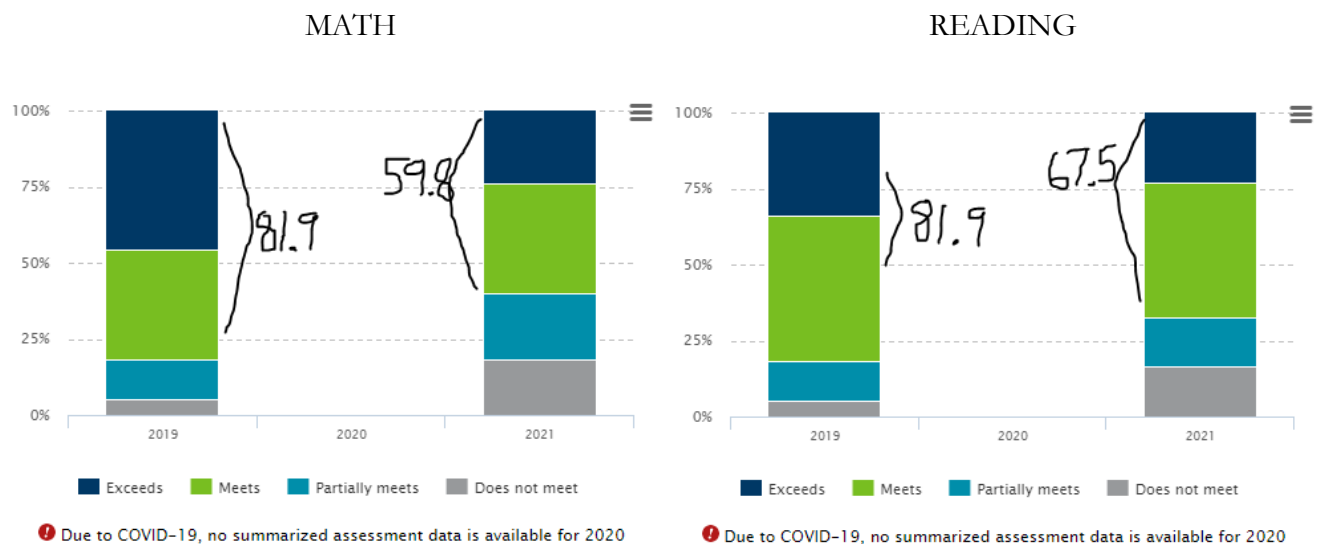
Bloomington Campus Principal's Report to the School Board

Date: Thursday, Sep 2nd, 2021

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ACADEMICS

- MCA data released - BC saw significant drops in proficiency, that outpaced the declines statewide. Math was a more significant decline than reading. About the same drop in percentage of students from the Exceeds band as the growth in the Partial and Did Not Meet bands. Participation declined by about 5 percent as well.



STAFFING

- Hiring for a Band Club Director as well as Club Leaders for the Kids Club Program

FACILITIES

- No new updates from the City on 14th Ave construction
- Hennepin County recycling grant - mid-term report approved and second reimbursement issued, looking to really expand the use of recycling bins in the lunchroom this year - RC garden/composting to come

Submitted by Brent Peterson, Bloomington Campus Principal

Richfield Campus Principal’s Report to the School Board

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Academics

- MCA data released

Richfield Campus Elementary

Reading				Math				Science
3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade	School	3rd Grade	4th Grade	5th Grade	School	5th Grade
50.0%	75.0%	72.3%	65.8%	52.2%	61.4%	31.9%	48.5%	57.4%
2019-20 No MCAs due to COVID-19								
53.1%			53.1%	65.3%			65.3%	

Middle School

	Reading				Math				Science
	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade	School	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade	School	8th Grade
2020-2021	65.6%	64.2%	67.1%	65.6%	28.3%	42.5%	39.2%	36.7%	41.8%
2019-2020	No MCAs due to COVID-19								
2018-2019	71.1%	55.1%	62.3%	62.9%	45.6%	44.9%	47.8%	46.1%	49.3%

Staffing

- Sam Strachan has accepted the position of Middle School Physical Education and Health Teacher

This report has been submitted by the Richfield Campus Principal, Carolyn Farrell