

**North Lakes Academy
School Board Meeting
October 10, 2006**

Present: Mike Bast, Joy Carlson, Jim Carter, Lisa Iverson, Cheri Jensen, Lorrie Kuha, Caroline Little, Paula Nystrom, Jeff Rapp, Jackie Saunders

Absent: Jan Jensen

Meeting called to order by Joy Carlson.

Motion made by Caroline Little to accept the agenda. Seconded by Lisa Iverson. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jeff Rapp to accept the September minutes with the note under the revised motion to read that the director needs to come up with a minimum of three “strategies” instead of the word “directives” for the staff in order to maintain a tight budget at this time.

Tiffany Navratil and Melinda Bloom presented on Boy Scouts Venturing program. The board will take the information back to the staff in order to determine if we would like to start a Venturing program at NLA.

Motion made by Jeff Rapp to accept the financial report. Seconded by Cheri Jensen. Motion carried.

Motion made by Caroline Little to maintain status quo for check signers and PO signers until Jan Jensen is present to suggest changes. Seconded by Jackie Saunders. Motion carried.

Old Business

Motion made by Caroline Little to accept the garden proposal put forth by Cheri Jensen at the last board meeting. Seconded by Paula Nystrom.

Discussion followed:

- Make stipulation that no NLA funds will be used.
- Maintain passing room in the hall
- Cheri Jensen will get a group of students to be in charge and all work will be done before or after school.

Motion carried 1 abstain.

Report on Professional Fundraising

- No one will help us until we have a strategic plan.
- We need to set up a team to do a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunity, threats)
- Board recommends that a SWOT team be formed no later than November 14. Team should consist of 5-7 members.

New Business

Venture program and 4H facility use tabled until next month.

Motion made by Jackie Saunders to grant Angela Sampson a 6 week parenting leave beginning around March 15, 2007 following the Family Leave Policy. Seconded by Caroline Little. Motion carried.

Motion made by Caroline Little to accept Jim Carter's request for leave from February 20, 2007 to February 23, 2007. Seconded by Cheri Jensen. Motion carried. 2 abstain.

Motion made by Jackie Saunders to accept Carrie Cardinal's request for leave from February 12, 2007 to February 16, 2007. Seconded by Caroline Little. Motion carried. 7-1 2 abstain

Motion made by Jackie Saunders to accept Jeff Rapp's military leave from January 22, 2007 to January 25, 2007. Seconded by Cheri Jensen. Motion carried. 1 abstain

Motion made by Jackie Saunders to accept Ann Knops request for leave from November 22, 2006 to November 27, 2006. Seconded by Caroline Little. Motion carried. 1 abstain

Motion made by Caroline Little to accept Mike Bast's request for leave on Thursday, December 21. Seconded by Cheri Jensen. Motion carried. 1 abstain

Note that the board will review the leave policies that are related to holidays.

Fundraising idea discussed to help with field trip transportation costs. The school could get a free freezer with ice cream to sell at lunch. The ice cream would only be sold after the students went through the lunch line. Staff board members responded that the idea would need to be taken back to the staff since we were piloting "healthier foods" in the vending machine.

Other Business

Note that the school needs to have a total of 9 fire drills and lock down drills throughout the school year.

Motion made by Jackie Saunders to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Cheri Jensen. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Caroline Little.