

North Lakes Academy
School Board Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2008, 6:30 p.m.

Present: Dianne Abrams, Jim Carter, David Engen, Lisa Iverson, Jan Jensen, Michael Jensen, Caroline Little, Daniel Mendenhall, Paula Nystrom, and Charlie Schumacher

Absent: Jackie Saunders – ex-officio.

Visitors: Angela Schumacher, Daniel Iverson, Lorrie Kuha, Joel Ericson, Kim Ericson, Steve Benson, and Tammy Zaragoza

Meeting called to order by Caroline Little.
Introductions made.

Motion: Made by Paula Nystrom to approve the agenda for meeting. Seconded by Jim Carter.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Made by Charlie Schumacher to approve the minutes of the November 13th meeting.
Seconded by Michael Jensen. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no December meeting due to the Board Governance Meeting, which board members attended.

Motion: Made by Jim Carter to approve the auditor's report. Seconded by Daniel Mendenhall.
Ayes: Dianne Abrams, Jim Carter, David Engen, Michael Jensen, Caroline Little, Daniel Mendenhall, Paula Nystrom, and Charlie Schumacher
Nays: None
Abstain: Lisa Iverson

A note of recognition to Jan Jensen for her hard work in preparation for the audit. Jan's preparation is always noted by the auditor as exemplary.

Motion: Made by Charlie Schumacher to approve PO and check signers. Seconded by Michael Jensen. Motion carried unanimously.
Kerry Huset and Jeff Rapp were removed as check/PO signers.
Check signers will be Jackie Saunders, Caroline Little, David Engen, Jim Carter, and Jan Jensen.
PO signers will be Jackie Saunders, Caroline Little, and Jim Carter.
As a policy, check signers are board members serving 3-year terms.

Informational note: It is our intention to limit each agenda items to 15 minutes.
All information will be sent to board members 3-4 days ahead of the meeting to allow for processing and preparing to act at the board meeting.

There will be a board meeting on January 29, 2008 at 6:30 PM.

Charlie Schumacher made a presentation on the process of strategic planning.

School Expansion Update:

January 24, 2008 – North Lakes Academy will host the First Annual School Choice Fair from 4:30 – 8:00 PM.

The proposed curriculum and course catalog is being prepared to have available at the School Choice Fair.

Two properties in Forest Lake are being considered as building sites.

Other Business:

Motion: Made by Paula Nystrom to accept Joelle O'Keefe's request for personal leave.

Seconded by Jim Carter.

Ayes: Dianne Abrams, Jim Carter, Michael Jensen, Caroline Little, Daniel Mendenhall, Paula Nystrom, and Charlie Schumacher

Nays: David Engen and Lisa Iverson

Abstain: None

Lorrie Kuha stated that her son would be leaving NLA at the end of the semester. But, she would like to continue volunteering as Ski Club coordinator.

The board was commended on their goal of strategic planning.

Motion: Made by Michael Jensen to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Jim Carter. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 at 6:30 PM in Room 10.

Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 6:30 PM in Room 10.

Respectfully submitted by Paula Jane Nystrom.