

**Two Rivers Community School  
Board of Directors Agenda  
Special Meeting  
February 27, 2023**

**Present:** Clint Byers, April Flanders, Amy Gardner, Carole Greene, Dawn Shumate, Natalie Oransky, Tara Stollenmaier, Melissa Thomas, Twila Wingrove

**Absent:** Helen Phillips, Cacey Wells

**Opening the Meeting**

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 5:36 by Melissa Thomas. Thomas read the mission statement. Wingrove moved to approve the agenda, Stollenmaier seconded. Unanimous approval.

Wingrove moved to approve the minutes with a note that the tracked changes would be removed. Stollenmaier seconded. Unanimous approval.

No conflicts of interest were reported. No members of the public sought opportunity to comment.

The Board reviewed Governance Policy 9: Financial Disclosure, read aloud by Greene. Stollenmaier moved to reaffirm, Greene seconded. Unanimous approval.

**Committee Reports**

Wingrove led a discussion to review the proposed TRCS Technology Policy, focusing on specific areas of concern or questions in the document. Questions were addressed with plans to move forward. The next step will be consulting with the attorney with remaining questions, then moving forward on a formal vote.

**Executive Reports**

Wingrove, as Secretary, reviewed the new recommended structure for the meeting minutes. The Board indicated approval of the substance and structure.

Oransky, Treasurer, shared an updated school budget. She noted that the school is changing accountants within the same firm, due to organizational changes within the firm. She noted that the budget is healthy at this time, with little changes or comments to be made. At the next meeting, we will go over the 2023-2024 budget, which will include changes to staffing that had been supported by COVID funds and suggestions that arose from the recent parent survey.

Oransky indicated an interest in applying for two grants: NC Outdoor Go and NC Community Foundation. The former would cover part of the 8th grade backpacking trip, and the latter would support the school's Better World Day activities. Flanders moved to support Oransky applying for these grants, Stollenmaier seconded. Unanimous approval.

Oransky continued an update in her role as Director. She noted that enrollment has gone down by 1 since the last meeting. TRCS is collecting intent to enroll forms for next year from current students, and gearing up for open enrollment. Open houses are scheduled throughout the next several weeks. Student ambassadors will be helping with school tours.

Oransky shared frustration from a parent about lack of notifications about COVID cases in classes. The Board offered support that the approach the school has taken is in line with CDC recommendations, and suggested an email reminder about current COVID policies.

### **Additional Business**

Thomas encouraged current board members to begin soliciting interested volunteers to join the board.

With regard to campus beautification, the much delayed broken slide on upper campus will be repaired in April. In addition, Oransky announced she formed a committee of staff to prioritize tasks. The Board reviewed estimated costs of these tasks. Thomas moved to approve spending of up to \$5000 on these campus beautification projects. Flanders seconded. Unanimous approval.

### **PTO Updates**

- PeaceFeast, Saturday March 4, 4-7, American Legion Building in Blowing Rock
- t-shirt orders going out soon
- providing open house support
- campus clean up day being planned
- scholastic book fair + family night, monday, 4/4-4/6; family night is monday

Staff updates:

- Kinders are singing at PeaceFeast

### **Adjourn**

Stollenmaier moved to adjourn, Flanders seconded. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 7:54.