

**SOAR ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**2136 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Tacoma, Washington 98405

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order** **5:17 PM**
George Meng and Thelma Jackson present, Beverly Grant arrived 5:55 PM
- II. Approval of Previous Meeting Notes**
(postponed in order to have quorum)
- III. Correspondence**
State Auditor Report
- IV. Executive Reports**
 - a. Board Chair Report 5:22 PM
 - i. State auditor report came back clean – already in the process of implementing recommendations
 - ii. ESP contract on Commission agenda for October
 - iii. Commission will observe November meeting
 - iv. Upcoming sector-wide convening on September 30th
 - v. Public comments invited
 - b. School Leader Report 5:35 PM
 - i. Nearly full enrollment with waitlists in K and 1 and remaining spots in 2nd nearly filled
 - ii. All core staff hired, continuing to interview for per diem nurse and more subs
- V. Committee Updates**
 - a. Academic Excellence, Liz Sanchez & Lihi Rosenthal 5:42 pm
 - i. Beginning of year assessments nearly complete with kindergarten happening next week
 - b. Finance, George Meng 5:44pm
 - i. Financial position strong for last year and moving in to this year. Continuing to monitor cash flow closely.
 - c. Governance, Thelma Jackson & Lihi Rosenthal 5:56pm
 - i. Recruitment needs – two Directors with end of terms coming up. Looking at board membership and leadership. Adding to the agenda for October to come to a definitive plan by when to have additional members and to solidify interest of members to renew.
 - ii. Discussed committees and bringing in non-board members to support efforts and leverage our small board
 - d. Development Committee, N/A



- VI. Items for Board Discussion 6:05 PM**
- a. Feedback from Parent Advisory Council
 - i. Strong attendance
 - ii. Discussed lawsuit and overall positive reaction
 - iii. Desire more protein in menu
 - iv. Use of multiple means of communication
 - v. Board discussed idea of having a grade parent rep
- VII. Items for Board Action (motion and vote required) 6:28 PM**
- a. Updated Special Education Policies
 - i. George moved to approve, Beverly seconded – approved 3:0
 - b. Approval of board meeting minutes (moved from earlier)
 - i. George moved to approve, Beverly seconded – approved 3:0
- VIII. Announcements and Upcoming Events 6:31 PM**
- a. Sector-Wide Convening, Friday, September 30 at 5:15pm
 - b. **Next General Meeting:** Wednesday, October 19 from 5:00-7:00pm at 2136 Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Tacoma, WA 98405
- IX. Adjournment 6:36 PM**