

DRAFT Trillium Board Meeting Minutes

12/14/2015

Note: Board meeting minutes are approved at the following month's meeting. Posting of minutes is done prior to the approval of the meeting minutes and is considered in DRAFT form until after the next month's meeting. The Director's report is provided separately to the community.

Students, parents, guests, board, staff, and community members present:

Craig Briscoe
David LaFara (prospective student board member)
Debra Lazzaretti (operations manager)
Heather Blackbird (former president)
Jeff Cavener (president, secretary)
John Lockhart (board member)
Kellie Shaw (executive committee)
Kieran Connolly (executive director)
Laura Kanter Fellows (executive committee)
Stacy Blanton (treasurer, executive committee)
Stephanie Bliss (TFT volunteer coordinator)
Swapna Mukhopadhyay (board member)

6:00 Welcome introductions; meeting brought to order (Jeff).

6:08 November minutes approved

6:10 Executive committee report
The executive committee has met to review a personnel issue.

6:11 Finance committee report
We're on track as budgeted.
As a follow-up to our banking authorized signers list update, both our accountant and bookkeeper have been added as authorized viewers.
[6:11, Kellie joins]

6:12 Strategic planning
For the upcoming strategic planning retreat, contractor vetting was discussed at length.

6:27 Weighted lottery
Our current annual admissions process uses an unweighted randomized lottery. Oregon has new options to slightly weight admissions for equity, based on a menu of options. We are still learning about this possibility.

6:40 Director's report (provided separately as noted above)
News included an announcement that a fund-raising appeal letter will go out this week to the Trillium community.

7:00 Guest comments

Continuing concerns were raised regarding improving teacher retention. [Losing teachers this school year is a concern, but there is an encouraging statistical change in the underlying reasons.]

A board budget for a teacher appreciation was encouraged.

7:20 Meeting adjourned.