

CAROLUS ONLINE ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2024, AT 5:00PM
VIA ZOOM

I. Preliminary Items

Called to Order 5:03pm

Roll Called

Members Present:

- John Pallasch, Chair
- Dan Martin, Vice Chair
- Kristen Bell, Secretary
- Eric Mack, Treasurer
- Gretchen Dobbs, Member
- Rachel Migli, Member

Others Present:

- Pam Sieger, K12
- Scott Sides, K12
- Chad Long, K12
- Sandi Brueck, K12
- Niki Kayser, K12
- Tracey Lee, K12
- John Kramer, K12
- Betsy Carpentier
- Elizabeth Nelson, K12
- Amanda Wilson, K12
- Dr. Angela H, K12
- Kanasha Morman, K12
- Patricia Barron

Approval of Minutes. Kristen Bell made the motion, Rachel Migli seconded, unanimously approved.

II. **Board Chair's Report** - John Pallasch acknowledged the hard work and accomplishments of the Board and k12 staff.

III. **Action Agenda Items**

Voting on COA school credit card approval from board – Chad Long gave an update. When we get a Permanent head of school. Leave CC at \$5k limit, operations manager (Angela).

Betsy asked about a procurement policy. Chad noted we have a fiscal policy that allows **Total amount \$5k**. Kristen made the motion, Eric second, unanimously approved. Consensus that John Pallasch and Kristen Bell will be signatories.

IV. **School Leadership Report**

1. Tracey Lee, Testing Coordinator
2. Kanessa Morman, Reading Coach
3. Executive Director Search – interview panel selected by Scott Sides.
Process: Interviews will be held on 2/20 and 2/21. The interview team will consist of three current Executive Directors from K12/Stride. Scott Sides will also be in the interviews. John Kramer, legal, will be at the interviews. Kathy Chillstrom, ROM/National Operations will be at the interviews. The interviews will be one hour long.
Round 2 and 3 interviews will be with K12 Corporate leaders. This would be during the week of March 11.
Selected candidates will move forward to the board interviews which will be during the week of March 18, pending board availability.
The board will have the final decision in selecting the ED for COA.
4. Board Committee Discussion (discussing the month of March)
5. Hiring Update/ New FTE Positions - second grade teacher, 3rd, 5th, special education teacher Danielle starting February 20th. Susan started as third grade teacher. 2 weeks required training for all new staff and administration. AASP interviews began. Five interviews Friday for social studies position. No one has applied for science yet. Interview on Tuesday for Special Education registrar. Almost one hundred special education students.
6. Enrollment Update - k-5 enrollment: 355, 6-8 enrollment: 291
7. Logo/Mascot - Dan Martin and John Pallasch suggested turning it into a contest for students, survey, student input, etc. The top five will be brought to the board to present.
8. Community Outreach Updates
 - i. Kick it with Miss K – special session on Fridays to get students excited about being a part of the school.
 - ii. Testing with Miss T – instructs students and learning coaches to provide the best tips and strategies to work on upcoming testing.
 - iii. Coffee with Coaches – learning coaches. Forty families showed up last time. Parents were grateful for the school.
 - iv. Weekly Office Hours – Pam holds regular weekly hours and is accessible during those times.
 - v. SEL with Amanda – daily during homeroom required M-F and providing extra support on Friday.

9. Boot Camp 2 and School Choice Event – Niki oversees virtual field trips, class connects, pet days, art in the park, virtual career day in April, CTE teacher will have students go out in their community, social media. John asked how we get access to this as board members. It is recorded and they will send us a link.
10. High School Launch – 2 weeks ago, created a one drive with seven committees with their own responsibilities for early planning, hiring, leadership, etc. They meet bi-weekly, and the seven committees meet separately during the off-week.

Public comments

None

Adjournment 5:44pm