

LCEFC/RMDS Board Minutes  
Thursday, January 27, 2011  
1921 Youngfield St.  
Golden, CO 80401

Present: Christine Pendley (Board President)  
Rob Loveless (Board Vice President)  
Ryan Commerson (Community Representative)  
Mary Cregan (Staff Representative)  
Kelly Baldwin (Staff Representative)  
Lisa Hann (Educational Representative)  
Anne Marie Baer (Community Representative)  
Laura Balczarek (Educational Representative) (arrived 6:42pm)

Guests: Nancy Bridenbaugh (Interim Director)

Interpreters: Lynda Rimmel and Kirk Neuroth

Meeting called to order – 6:12 pm

Overview of Agenda – No changes needed.

Approval of Minutes - **Anne Marie moves the December 9, 2010 minutes be approved as written. Ryan seconds the motion. All in favor.**

Public Comments – There is \$566.11 from the Scholastic book fair that needs to be deposited in the Clerc fund then a check written to Scholastic in exchange.

**Anne Marie moves that we approve the deposit for the Laurent Clerc Fund and check written to Scholastic for \$566.11 to pay for the books. Ryan seconds. All in favor.**

Board Vacancies/Positions – We have three candidates who have sent their bio or interest assessment in order to serve on the board. Chris will email the board with that information and invite them to come to the Feb 24 meeting.

**Ryan Commerson moves that Rob Loveless becomes the active president and Chris Pendley serves as interim vice president. Anne Marie seconds. All in favor.**

Interview Committee Guidelines/Questions – Nov. 17 was the last Search Committee meeting. The Interview Committee consists of Melissa Peterson, Jennifer McLellan and Stephanie Carson. There are five applicants now on file. Direct recruiting is still taking place in hopes of getting a few more applicants. Amy, Derek, Jo, Kevin, Patty and Nancy are the current Search Committee. Nancy will be submitting a formal letter stating she is willing to remain as the interim director for one more next year in the event the candidates are not well suited to RMDS. The board would like the Interview Committee to develop their list of interview questions by Feb 26 and

then the board can review them at the retreat and then come up with questions from the board. We agree that there will be some money spent for travel arrangements for the applicants that we call in for onsite interviews.

Board Retreat Topics - Strategic plan, disciplinary guidelines (with Bill), interview committee questions, and admission statement.

Director's Report – Nancy – Still working on the BEST application and fundraising, there are potential donors that have contacted Nancy. There have been media releases on the radio, TV and some newspapers. The deadline for the application submission is May 8' 2011. The application is for \$12.7 million and about 46,000 sq. ft. A waiver letter will also be submitted in hopes of having the \$2 million matching fund requirement waived. There are teams of people that are looking into additional space for next year. The Dollar Store adjacent to the school is a possible space. Ruthie Jordan has been asked to make a video of the school, the school vision and children to post on youtube.

Basketball tournament at NMSD was good opportunity to socialize and the basketball team and cheerleaders we able to stay overnight in the cottages. RMDS won their first game that was against the New Mexico School for the Deaf but lost the last two games. NMSD was amazed at the amount of support the basketball team had from the parents and community.

Meeting adjourned – 8:16pm