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Governance Board Meeting, Wednesday, March 3rd, 2021 @ 5:15 p.m.via Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 913 3824 2950 Password: ISA

I. Welcome

- A. Call the Meeting to Order- 5:17 PM Bob Sanders, Chris Amundson, Jo Brinks, Ronda Stone-Lakey, Jeremy Erickson, Angie Martin, Nicole Cooksey, Dana Hoff, Teresa Lakowske, Erica Culpit, Ryan Tichenor, and guest: Christian Perez
- B. Noticed the meeting to Evans Print & Media Group, WCOW Radio, Magnum Radio, the La Crosse Tribune, Sparta City Hall, and Sparta Free Library.
- C. Adopt the Agenda- Motion to adopt Ronda Stone-Lakey / 2nd Nicole Cooksey carried
- II. Public Input- Bob Sanders reported no public input provided
- III. Approve the Minutes from 2/3/21- correction of spelling of Ronda Stone-Lakey name Motion to approve: Erica Culpit / 2nd Angie Martin- motion carried

IV. Teachers' Report

- A. Teachers presented a preview of the ISA Promotional Video- Very well done.
- B. State testing is coming up. SVLA students will be done in March. In class students will be done in April.
- C. Students will be working on renewable energy CBL projects that include: solar cars and wind turbines.
- D. Erica Culpit offered to share the promotional ISA video and virtual meet and greet with chamber members. Chris Amundson will update the video to show more business tours and make a better connection to business and industry in Sparta.

V. Financial Report - <u>budget report</u>- Bob Sanders reviewed budget report. All encumbered amounts were entered the previous day so there will be updates showing soon. Bob will update.. Motion to accept-Angie Martin / 2nd Nicole Cooksey- Motion carried

VI. Old Business

A. Joe met with the grant writer to get final copy and submitted on Friday before the deadline. DPI made some recommendations for changes and because we were ahead, gave time to make updates. Wait for official notification. Final grant ask was \$650,625.

VII. New Business

- A. Lottery Drawing for 2022/2022 admissions. Top six automatically accepted because of siblings. One student is a sibling and also a child of a board member. Used a web based numbering spinning wheel to randomize numbers assigned to a student on a spreadsheet. Twenty-four new 6th grade students admitted the rest of students drawn to determine order on the waitlist. Notification will be sent to those that are in and notification to those on the waitlist. 44 total/ 6 automatic /24 new.
- B. Idea was put out there to get some video testimonials from current and former STEM students and include them in the promotional video.
- C. Important Dates

 Next Governance Board Meeting: May 5th at 5:15 PM.
- VIII. Adjournment- Motion to adjourn- Ronda Stone-Lakey / 2nd Erica Culpit- Motion carried

Mission:

Innovations STEM Academy provides a teacher-led, inquiry/problem-based learning environment which maximizes individual learner potential and ensures that all students have the knowledge and skills to meet the demands of the 21st century.

Vision:

To engage students in meaningful application of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics concepts.