



WORKING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 22, 2016 Time: 4:30-5:50pm

Location: Art Room

School Board Norms of Engagement 2015 The Board of Aspen Academy will

Tenacity	• form cohesion, cooperate, respectfully engage, listen effectively, and remain future minded.
High Expectations	• keep students first, speak with one voice, operate as a governance board.
Integrity	• always remain respectful to staff, employees, parents, students and other stakeholders, hear all voices before key decisions, maintain oversight, and work together to carry out our responsibilities.
No Excuses	• always assume positive intent, be accountable for self-behaviors and their impact on board activities, be open to clarifying questions, constructive comments and relevant discussions, and read all materials before board meetings.
Kindness	• treat each other with respect at all times, respect time allotted for all presentations at board meetings, and respect each other's time.

• **CALL TO ORDER AT 4:39pm**

In attendance Angie Tuma, Cindy Spelbring, Kelly Smith, Wade Phillips, Misty Schutrop, Mike McNulty, Stephanie Smitley, Mike Pocrnich, Diane Sterna

Authorizer Comments _____

Community Comments _____

Community members must pre-register to speak at the meeting. Items are limited to those on the night's agenda. The Board Chair has the discretion to hear a community member who has not pre-registered, but items remain limited to those on the agenda. To register please email Misty.Schutrop@aspenacademymn.org.

• Motion: **Approval of Agenda**

First Pocrnich Second Tuma Yes X(7) No _____ Abst _____

Working Session

- **Update and discussion on facility** – Mike P. went through the budget, using realistic enrollment numbers, to find what Aspen could afford with regard to facility in the bonding process. Enrollment started with adding a section of K-2 and expanding that to grade 5 over the course of a few years. MS would stay at 50 students per grade, allowing for natural attrition. Full enrollment would be seen in FY22. If Aspen goes the bonding route, everything would need to be ready by September for a fall 2017 completion date.

Next steps – meet with Kou Vang, then meet again with Wildamere.

- **Board self-evalutaion** – The board discussed the outcome of the self-evaluation finished in January. There was nothing that stood out in particular as something the board needed to work on. It was decided that having mini training/working sessions 30 minutes before regular board meetings would be helpful. This would start after facility issues are wrapped up.
- **Adjournment at 5:43pm**
- First Phillips Second Smith Yes X(8) No _____ Abst _____