

Granite State Arts Academy
Board of Trustees Meeting
July 28, 2015

Granite State Arts Academy nurtures creative thinkers, active citizens, and independent learners with a curriculum that integrates the arts and academics. Our Vision is a high school that is dedicated to the arts. It will appeal to a broad cross section of students who are looking to discover the joy and transformational power of the arts and those interested in pursuing the arts in a professional setting. Our academic courses will strive to instill a sincere lifelong desire to learn. Students will explore real world problems, simultaneously developing cross-curriculum skills while working in small collaborative groups. During their time at GSAA students will attend art classes each day and will study at least two of the following studies: Dance, Music, Theater, and Visual Arts. This will allow for personalized learning, creating conditions where students' talents can flourish. This positive approach to educating will empower students to dream and create every day.

Attendance: Amy Sevigny, Scott Mullane, Don Erdbrink, Kate Russell, Ken Dunne, and Jennifer Minicucci

Excused: Judy David, Melanie Holden (LOA)

Guest: Paul Sevigny

Meeting to order: 6:15 pm

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes – Ken Dunne suggested- change EOY to end of year. Ken made a motion to approve July 21, 2015 minutes- seconded by Jennifer and approved by all

Chair's Report

- Landlord – Still ongoing with Don- Don is meeting with Brook's next week
- Enrollment update
- Insurance – Renewal- Don has forms and he will be touching base on the phone tomorrow. Due for renewal August 18
- Electric bill – Don paid per previous minute notes (\$2,400 pd)- we still owe current bill- \$1100. Scott Mullane will get an energy audit done
- EOY (end of year) and Adequacy money- end of year report done and we will be receiving approx. \$14,603.22 (attendance counts towards this number).
- Paper drive- live on line
- Renia R. still needs laptop (to be owned by the school)
- Tree was trimmed at the back door
- Student folders are being reorganized next week (new color coded)
- \$360.00 last yard sale. Don made deposit
- Federal grant IT issue has been resolved.
- Classroom painting and cleaning will begin this week and next
- 100 new spirit wear shirts need to be ordered in time for summer BBQ

- Lunch idea- no available area establishments are available. Students to bring their own with minimal school store (possible donations). Possibly pizza Friday. We need volunteer coordinator to work closely with Renia.
- Blood drive 11-4 on Friday 10/19/15
- 89 confirmed students- new applications coming in daily
- \$4,748.14 summer fundraising numbers thus far
- \$3,360 art fees in thus far- need process in place to send out freq. asks and thank you.

Video Update – Kate Russell- new video completed and posted on the website and Facebook. Kate R is working on a graduation video (couple of weeks), and “why they are here” video- focusing on the family and student- this will be a bigger project

Budget Committee Report – Ken, Don, Scott- Judy completed through December 2014 of organizing bills etc. – per previous minutes.

Public comments: Suggested a weekly thank you list to thank donors

The Sevigny’s have donated to place a facebook ad – to increase enrollment

Closed session – Ken made a motion to enter into closed session based on RSA91- A:a.c 7:30 pm

Returned to open session: 8:30 pm

No public comment

New Business- none

Next meeting date/time/location confirmation: August 4, 2015 @ 6pm