

**Tall Pines STEM Academy Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Meeting Date: April 21, 2022**  
**Location: Tall Pines Campus – Camp Long, Aiken South Carolina**  
**Commencement Time: 5 pm**

Presiding: Michelle Lorio

**1. Meeting Opening:**

- a. Michelle Lorio called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm and Tim Meesseman read the mission. Jennifer Minolfo called roll and a quorum was established.
- b. Meeting Attendance:
  - i. Present:
    - Lori Mastromonico, Tim Meesseman, Phillip Dersham, Alisa Perry, Wendy Dietzel, Jennifer Minolfo, Sandy Blakenship, Stephen Lance, Michelle Lorio, Mandy Sims
  - ii. Absent:
    - Chasity McDaniel and Tracie McBride
  - iii. Public members: None

**2. Old Business**

- i. Proposed changes to By-law wording on Board term limits: Sandy Blankenship will send a proposed fix for the future board term limits. These will be presented at May meeting and voted on in July.
- ii. By Law Revisions: Mandy Sims (Board members will read by-laws and be ready for discussion next month. Lottery Protocol (Sandy Blankenship will get the State Charter Law), conflict of interest (employees), teacher evaluations, enrollment procedures/preferential enrollment

**3. Matters for Decision:**

- a. Approval of March Meeting Minutes:
  - i. The minutes were approved. Mandy Sims motioned for approval. Alisa Perry seconded. Vote was unanimous after fixing the date.
- b. Approval of monthly financials from March 2022: Jennifer Minolfo motioned and Alisa Perry seconded the motion. All other board members approved.

**4. Financial Update**

- i. Stephen Lance presented an easier form of financials to review. Alisa Perry was appointed to work with Jason at YLI to work on a more simplified financial statement for each month.

**5. Matters for Discussion None**

**6. Matters of Noting:**

- a. School/Principal's Update (Lori Mastromonico)
  - i. Kevin Vincent was offered and accepted the Assistant Principal job. He will be working on managing the facilities, school security, and 504 plans
  - ii. Soccer season coming to an end: The girls team came in second in league.

- iii. Drama Club will be performing at the Grand opening of the Aiken Library.
- iv. Upcoming field trips: 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade to Bob Cooper, 7<sup>th</sup> grade to Carowinds, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade to Top Golf and Skateland
- v. Amazing Shake Up: 1<sup>st</sup> round started yesterday and round 2 will be next Friday
- vi. Book Fair raised over 2500.00
- vii. Tall Pines is sending their first student to the Special Olympics
- viii. There are 5 teachers not returning and 1 still left to hire.
- ix. Raising money with popsicle sales for the family of the house fire

**7. Meeting Finalization:**

- a. Review actions to be taken:
  - i. Board Members will read by-laws
  - ii. Alisa Perry will work with Steven Lance and Jason at YLI to simplify financial report.

Next Meeting:

- iii. May 19, 2022 at 5pm
- b. Comments:
  - i. None
- c. Meeting close:
  - i. It was motioned by Tim Meesseman to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Phillip Dersham and approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:06 pm.