

**Upper Mississippi Academy**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
Tuesday October 15, 2019 4:45 p.m.  
Upper Mississippi Academy (UMA) Room 2107  
19 E. Exchange St. - St. Paul, MN 55101

**Attendees**

- Arslan Aziz (Co Director)
- Amy Elverum (Co Director)
- **Lesley Ernst**
- Theresa Goette (Bergen KDV)
- Denise Goldman (Guest)
- **Ella Kearney**
- **Joe Klancher**
- **Cassie Rouse**
- Cynthia Sarver (Guest)
- **Chris Svensrud**
- **Genna Thompson**

**Welcome**

**Approvals**

- Motion to approve October agenda - Lesley Ernst
- Second - Genna Thompson
- Motion approved
  
- Motion to approve September minutes - Genna Thompson
- Second - Chris Svensrud
- Motion approved

**Finance Committee Update**

- Revised budget, buildout costs, and lease aid updates were presented.
  
- Proposal to adopt the 2019-20 revised budget as presented:
  - General Fund Revenues of \$4,948,142; Expenditures of \$5,185,911; Other Financing Source of \$120,000
  - Food Service Fund Revenues of \$46,900; Expenditures of \$46,900
  - Community Service Fund Revenues of \$6,383 and Expenditures of \$6,383
- Motion to approve above proposal - Lesley Ernst
- Second - Chris Svensrud
- Motion approved

### **Directors' Report**

- Enrollment, Facility, Operations, and Employee Engagement updates were presented.

### **Strategic Planning**

- A Strategic Planning update will be presented in November 2019.

### **Fundraising Committee**

- Formation of a Fundraising Committee was introduced.

### **Board Member Training**

- [M.S. 124E.07, Subd. 7.](#)

Subd. 7. **Training.** Every charter school board member shall attend annual training throughout the member's term. All new board members shall attend initial training on the board's role and responsibilities, employment policies and practices, and financial management. A new board member who does not begin the required initial training within six months after being seated and complete that training within 12 months after being seated is automatically ineligible to continue to serve as a board member. The school shall include in its annual report the training each board member attended during the previous year.

### **Public Comment**

- A compliment was given by a guest parent.
- Comments were given by a guest teacher who gave positive feedback and expressed concerns.

### **Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn - Genna Thompson
- Second - Chris Svensrud
- Motion approved
- Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.