



# ATHLOS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

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*Athlos Leadership Academy is a Pre-K through 8th grade public charter school that believes in providing students with a challenging and comprehensive high school preparatory education through high standards for academic scholarship, fitness and nutrition, character development and student leadership opportunities.*

**Athlos Leadership Academy  
MN Charter District #4011  
Special Board Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2018  
3:45 PM- Conference Room**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Virginia Anderson called the meeting to order at 3:52PM.

## **ROLL CALL**

Board Members Present: Virginia Anderson, Kit Murley-Henspeter, Kathryn Phelps.

Board Members Absent: Farxiyo Olow, Ann DeGroot

Principal Present: Jennifer Geraghty

Board Clerk Present: Julie Brown

Contracted Finance Staff Present: Kara Schneeberger- BerganKDV

## **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Kathryn Phelps presented a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Kit Murley-Henspeter. Motion passed unanimously.

## **COMMUNITY COMMENT**

## **FINANCE REPORT**

FY 19 Budget and Cash flow

The board reviewed the proposed FY19 budget and 16 month cash-flow. Kathryn Phelps presented a motion to approve the budget as included in today's board packet. Motion was seconded by Kit Murley-Henspeter. Motion passed unanimously.

#### Line of Credit

Kara Schneeberger reported that it has been determined that a line of credit is not needed at this time.

#### Lease Aid

The board completed the needed paperwork for the lease aid application.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Update on MDE Special Education transportation review results:

- For 16-17, Indigo calculated that \$740,000 in special education transportation was unallowable for the following reasons:
  - Special Education paras riding buses with sped students and for gen ed siblings riding on special education vans (with their special education siblings) that had excess capacity. In addition, a small portion of special education students that had a special education para on the bus, did not have it written into their IEP. 85 – 90% of the IEPs did contain appropriate documentation.
- Jennifer Geraghty, Ainsley Klar and Kara Schneeberger met with Laura Booth and with Indigo staff: Kerry Cronin-Anderson, Jennifer Heieie and Erin Wanant to discuss a possible collaboration in presenting the reality of the special education transportation charges to MDE so that these practices would be allowable and the school would be refunded the \$740,000.
- Even though Indigo was willing to work with MDE and Athlos on how much they felt should be withheld from state payments, Indigo was not willing to go to MDE with Athlos to argue the decision.
- Laura Booth represents both Athlos and Indigo so it is a conflict of interest for her to work with either party on the matter.
- Indigo noted that there are 20 other charter schools who are in the same situation.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BOARD CORRESPONDANCE AND COMMUNICATION**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 4:14PM.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

May 15 <sup>th</sup>	District Advisory Committee	3:30 PM
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Finance Committee	7:45 AM
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	School Board	3:45 PM
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	School Board	12:00 PM