Renaissance Public Academy
13 February, 2018 – Board Meeting

Minutes prepared by: **Douhet Wilcox**

**Location:** Maple Grove

Meeting called to order: **6:31**
Meeting ended: **7:39**

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**Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues**

**Consent Agenda:**

Douhet Wilcox motioned to accept the December minutes. Vicki Helmig seconded. All approved.
Vicki Helmig motioned to accept the January minutes. Douhet Wilcox seconded. All approved.

**Treasurer Report:**

Everything is stable and as expected. Some of our normal course of business was put into the wrong category. It’s getting worked out. Next month will be more normal.

**School and Staff Update:**

We have hired our janitor back. We have hired an office assistant, Lydia Odenthal. We have hired a music instructor, Patricia Hand.

**Facilities:**

Jeanna is working on a grant for work on the building. The grant will only be able to be used on the original building because it is historical.
The stairs out front need work. Jeanna is talking to David Garber to come out and work on them.

**Strategic Plan:**

The assignments for the strategic plan areas are as follows:
Governance – Cheryl Goodson
Community Outreach and Parent Partnerships – Jeanna DeRisio
Finance, Operations and Facilities – Vicki Helmig
Growth – Douhet Wilcox
Excellence in Teaching – Jeanna DeRisio
Excellence in Learning – Michael Gibson

**New Business:**

Zoom Meeting options for the school. There is potential for Zoom to be used at board meetings, parent teacher conferences and assemblies.
Cheryl would like to learn about the Aspire program. This will help her work with students to get scholarships. Cheryl needs to setup an Aspire account and then seek out training.
Voting:
Kirsten motioned that we will not use the optional school improvement plan template provided by MRSD and OSBA but instead use the annual review template as stated in our contract. (Terry motioned to strike MRSD from the original motion. Douhet seconded. All approved.) The motion now reads, we will not use the optional school improvement plan template provided by OSBA but instead use the annual review template as stated in our contract. Jeanna seconded. All approved.

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Principal's report 2/12/2018

Enrollment - 111 Students
4th-13
5th-15
6th-17
7th-13
8th-21
9th-15
10th-12
11th-5

Important Dates
March 16th-Friday School (am) Staff development (pm)
March 22nd-Holocaust museum/Historical Society Museum
Student Led Conferences- April 27th- Cheryl will be doing goal sheets with the students on
March 5th to help them prepare for their conferences.

Professional Growth & Development
Friday School (27 students in attendance)
(2/9/2018)- Inservice- revisiting instructional elements and increasing student engagements.

School Office Visits
During the first five days of school in January there were 12 office visits for discipline.
During the first five days of school in February there were 5 office visits for discipline.

Music Program
Ms. Hand has the flu. We are on hold for now.

Black History Month - The school has been recognizing this in a variety of ways.
-Monday Morning Meetings, videos of “I Have a Dream Speech” and other Famous Black Americans
-Morning Announcements have historical fact of the day
-Mini Units in History & Science
-Various posters of Famous Black Americans & quotes posted around the school

Upcoming Events
CCC Skills Competition- Feb. 22nd, All High School students have been registered to attend.
Four staff are going with the students.

Outdoor School for 6th Grade- May 8th-11th
Outdoor School has been scheduled for some time. The bus has been scheduled. No paperwork has been received from the hosting company yet. Ms. Tosti is going.

**Latin Convention** - 12 students have turned in registration paperwork as well as 5 adults. All paperwork must be turned in this Thursday. Scholarship money has been disseminated between the students who turned their papers in. We are expecting that some students will have financial difficulty even after receiving the scholarship.

**Latin Exam Day** - It has been scheduled for March 15th. All students in grades 5-11 will be participating in the exam with fun, educational activities planned afterwards.

**Shakespeare Trip** - There is no news to report for this as Mrs. Rokosz continues to work on funding.

**Clubs & Organizations**

**NWJCL Honor Society** - At last week’s pillar assembly 13 high school students were inducted into the Latin Honor Society. They will keep their status as long as they maintain an A in their Latin course.

**Key Club** - An informational meeting will be held by Mrs. McKinley this Thursday during lunch to garner student interest.

**State Testing**
The opt-out letter has been on the website since early January. A brief announcement was sent in yesterday’s announcements informing parents that it was on the website. The testing schedule has been discussed with the staff as administration tries to find ways to make it the least disruptive to classroom routine as possible.

**Math Scores** - We continue to implement the math improvement plan. There has been marked improvement in math class scores since the beginning of the school year. Students are engaging more and more involved in their math. We are continuing to develop ways to make math a more school-wide experience.