



**Saint Paul Children's Collaborative  
APPROVED Minutes  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Wednesday, March 14, 2018  
8:00- 11:00 @ Northwest Area Foundation**

**Board Members Present:** Robert McClain, Mary Jo McGuire, Karri Kerns, Rebecca Noecker, Toni Carter, Heather Kilgore, Alfreda Flowers, Bruce Thao, Jackie Turner, Christine Smith, Mary Vanderwert, Daniel Yang

**Staff Present:** Laurie Davis and Christa Anders (Advance Consulting – Collaborative Co- Coordinators)

**Meeting called to order by Thao at 8:22 am.**

**I. Lighting of the Children's Fire**

Noecker lit the Children's Fire with some words of wisdom from her young children, who illustrate the point that grown-ups need to have the ability to see the big picture and not get mired in complexity that keeps us from doing what children need us to do.

**II. Consent Agenda**

**Motion to approve the Minutes from the February 14, 2018 Board Meeting and accept the information contained in the February update from Advance Consulting and the February finance report. Second. Motion approved.**

**III. Strategic Planning**

Objective: Make fundamental decisions to shape/guide what SPCC is, what it does, and why. The board reviewed the summary of the individual brainstorming done at the end of the February meeting. The board then moved into strategic planning discussion, focused on the following questions:

**What** do we want to do/focus moving forward

**How** do we do it?

**Who** do we engage?

The board reviewed the final version of Vision/Mission/Guiding Principles.

The board took the following actions

**Motion to adopt the vision/mission/guiding principles. Second. Motion approved.**

**Motion to amend the SPCC bylaws to have up to four voting community representatives. Second. Motion approved.**

**Meeting adjourned 10:59.**

Agenda Items for Future Meetings

- SPPS Update: ACT scores, other outcome data, data disaggregation update (REA)
- Mayor-Elect Carter introduction
- African American Futures Initiative (Stephanie Battle) – Summer April
- Interfaith’s new evaluation tool – Spring 2018
- Sharing information about funding opportunities with community partners
- Met Council come to talk about transportation
- New Chamber president
- SPPS Strategic Planning Input – April
- Data Sharing – April

**Next Meeting:**

**April 11, 2018 from 8:00 – 10am at CAP/RW (450 Syndicate Street North, Saint Paul)**