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Saint Paul Children's Collaborative Board Meeting

February 13, 2019

8am – 10am

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Toni Carter, Molly Cave, Hoang Murphy, Rebecca Noecker, Mary Vanderwert, Daniel Yang

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT Cedrick Baker, Alfreda Flowers, Heather Kilgore, Nicole MartinRogers, Robert McClain, Mary Jo McGuire

STAFF & GUESTS PRESENT Christa Anders, Laurie Davis (Advance Consulting – Collaborative Coordinators)

Meeting called to order by Carter at 9:20 am

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Minutes from the January 9, 2019 meeting and accept the information contained in the January update from Advance Consulting, the 2018 year-end finance report and the January finance report. Second. Motion approved.

State of the District Address (Sup. Gothard)

The Board attended the State of the District address. The SPPS Achieves plan was presented. The focus of the address was on college/career readiness, as presented by the Superintendent, students, and teachers. If you missed the address (and the cute kids singing at the end), you can watch it [here](#).

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SPCC Administration

Staff consulted with the SPCC fiscal agent regarding increasing the meeting stipend for Community Representatives from the current \$30 to \$50 per two-hour meeting. Fiscal Agent confirmed this was an appropriate increase, given stipends haven't increased in at least ten years.

Motion to increase the two-hour meeting stipend for Community Representatives to \$50 effective at the February meeting. Second. Approved.

In the board packet, staff included options for a new SPCC logo, including a recommendation based on feedback received from the board and others to date. The board preferred the one on the top of page 7, changing the font to match and the circles to stars and making sure the color scheme is consistent with the Learn, Grow, Thrive logo.



In the board packet, staff included a proposed timeline for the next round of Learn, Grow, Thrive grant-making. The content of the RFP will be on the table for the April or May meeting.

Motion to approve the timeline for the next round of Learn, Grow, Thrive grant-making. Second.

A late addition to the agenda is the board's review of the Wilder proposal. There was discussion about requesting the breakout of subcategories of various racial/ethnic groups, using the MDE All Kids Count categories.

Motion to approve the proposal from Wilder. Second. Approved.

State of the District Address Debrief

The Board discussed the District's priorities in light of how they intersect with the SPCC's work in the following goal areas:

- Early Learning
- 3rd Grade Reading
- High School Graduation
- Out-of-School-Time

The focus of the speech seemed to be mostly on partnership with regard to career/college readiness, the need for business and higher education partners. There were a number of issues important to the SPCC that were not touched on during the speeches: Out-of-school-time, more detailed community collaboration, early learning, no mention of the issues raised by CAAL during and since the referendum. There wasn't reflection on budget challenges or other challenges brought forward

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by the community. Looking for specifics around those issues – particularly about the priorities in the budget. Overall theme – SPPS are great. They are, but only for some students. We didn't hear anything about the students that we're not serving well. No discussion or speakers from Latin(x) community. Disparities not adequately addressed. The issues of diverse staff are first of retention and promotion. Vanderwert suggested we read the [Integration Plan](#) (2017) and [One Year Results](#) (2018). Request that we use this space to have ongoing conversations about the detail. We will communicate with the Superintendent and Chief of Staff Baker.

Anders mentioned that HF824 and SF1012 (legislation to increase teachers of color) have been introduced and should be part of organization's lobbying work. Vanderwert confirmed that the district is lobbying in support of these bills.

Sharing/Agenda Items for Future Meetings (Discussion)

- Council for Black Male Success (Stephanie Battle)
- Discussion with Suburban Ramsey Family Collaborative; Children's Mental Health Collaborative

Meeting adjourned 10:05.