



Sela PCS Board Meeting Minutes

Date: June 13, 2024, 6:45 pm

Location: Sela PCS

Attendance:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Role</i>	<i>Attendance</i>
Deena Fox	Board member and chair	Present
Aster Allen-Patel	Board member	Present
Alen Amini	Board member	Present
K.J. Bagchi	Board member	Absent
Rose Benson	Board member	Present
Heather Capell Bramble	Board member	Present
Chelley Coley	Board member	Present
Rebecca Rubin Damari	Board member	Present
Yair Inspektor	Board member	Present
Bryce Jacobs	Board member	Present
Steve Messner	Board member	Present
Justin Rubin	Board member	Absent
Michael Walker	Board member	Present
Joshua Bork	Head of school (non-voting)	Present
Ryan Benjamin	Director of operations (non-voting)	Present
Ryan Tauriainen	Board member candidate (non-voting)	Present
Chris Wilson	Board member candidate (non-voting)	Present
Reut Rozenberg	Board member candidate (non-voting)	Present

Introductions were done

Minutes: Rose Benson

Timekeeper: Bryce Jacobs

Agenda (Attached as Appendix A)

The meeting started at 6:51 pm

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Bryce moved to ratify the meeting minutes from May. Rose seconded.

In favor: All



Opposed: None
Abstained: None

Mission moments

Deena reported on the promotion ceremony, the graduation, the kids put together skits. There was a slideshow, the class had really come together nicely over the year.

Josh reported on the PreK4 Ceremony. Really well practiced, parents followed protocols, very nice event.

Bryce has been fundraising, 100K in pledges from fundraising for the renovation, and a \$1 million dollar renovation coming.
Well done work by the external relations committee!

Head of School (HOS) report highlights

The board discussed recruitment and enrollment, as well as withdrawals during the school year. Current enrollment is higher than budgeted, which allows room for withdrawals as we approach the beginning of the school year.

Renovation update: significant renovations over the summer, starting shortly and will go through mid-August. Contractor and subcontractors are ready to begin this weekend, pending final permits. The board discussed efforts and contingencies to stay on schedule.

Sela reached out to neighbors to explain how the renovation is expected to proceed and the minimal anticipated impacts on the neighborhood.

The HOS presented end of year MAP data and overall improvements in Math and ELA. The board discussed interventions that may have contributed to score and growth improvements, as well as any additional interventions we may need to invest in.

Budget updates

Geoff from Ed Ops provided a budget presentation on the 2024-2026 budget. The budget is balanced, with healthy “days of cash on hand,” especially considering recent and current spending on the building and renovations.



The board discussed a possible equity review of staff salaries for 25-26 and how we would proceed with revising the budget if needed.

Steve moved to approve the budget as submitted. Heather seconded.

In favor: Rose, Bryce, Deena, Chelley, Yair, Rebecca, Alen, Michael, Steve

Opposed: none

Abstained: none

Strategic planning

Survey and data gathering is underway. Alen and Justin will send a more comprehensive update and a timeline moving forward as well.

Goodbyes to the outgoing board members - Heather, Deena, Rebecca, KJ and Yair

All board members are requested to send out your end of year fundraising letter.

Heather moved to go to closed session to discuss personnel matters.¹ Alen seconded.

In favor: All

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

¹ The reason for closed session was to discuss topics covered under section 2-575(b)(10) of the Open Meetings Act (“To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, performance evaluation, compensation, discipline, demotion, removal, or resignation of government appointees, employees, or officials, or of public charter school personnel, where the public body is the board of trustees of a public charter school”).