

The Mission of the Grand Rapids Child Discovery Center is to continuously expand the potential of children, the experiences of educators and the involvement of parents within a diverse community of Grand Rapids, The Vision of the Grand Rapids Child Discovery Center is to base all decisions on the principles of Reggio Emilia incorporating current research on learning as well as developmentally appropriate practice.

Grand Rapids Child Discovery Center

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: 6:00-7:30 pm, Monday, August 10th, 2020

Posting Address: 409 Lafayette Ave SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Location: Grand Rapids Child Discovery Center

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Agenda	Person	Time	Purpose
Opening			
1. Call to Order	Kate	6:04	Action
2. Roll Call .1 Present:AS, KAB, AE, TJ, AG, KD, AB, ST, ML, LNH .2 Absent: NA .3 Guests: Anne J, Sarah C, Suzi H	Kate	6:05	Action
3. Approval of Agenda 1st- AB 2nd- AE All- yes	Kate	6:05	Action
4. Approval of Minutes 1st- AE 2nd- AB All- Yes	Kate	6:05	Action
5. Public Comment (Please limit comments to 3-5 minutes)- None		6:06	Comment
Reports from the Board			
6. President's Report- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Needs for virtual orientation- maybe a video intro for board ● Stephen will help with coordinating the video ● All materials should be ready for virtual sharing instead of paper ● Virtual meetings act has been extended as long as we are in current state- will look at hybrid option for Sept/Oct. ● Goal setting meeting needed in future- Sept? 	Kate	6:07	Report
7. Executive Committee Report No report- Reminder and template for outline of meetings	Anissa	6:22	Report
8. Finance Committee Report No report- scheduled meetings through June 2021 with HFN	Andrew	6:23	

Questions on State funding for last year's budget- all finances went through as expected for last fiscal year				
9.	Secretary's Report- No report	Abby	6:24	
10.	Ad Hoc Committee Reports- will determine lead and participants at the planning meeting in Sept. .1 Leader Evaluation .2 Marketing/Development .3 TBD	All	6:25	Report
Reports to the Board				
11.	Executive Director's Report Current Significant Issues: (note: all of this information is true as of 8/10/2020 but plans and information change quickly right now) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <repeat from last month> Governor has released guidance- the Return to School Roadmap and EO 2020-142 	Lisa	6:27	Report

- The Plan that we will look at tonight is what is specifically asked for in the EO 142. After this is approved, we will begin our Implementation Guide (one for staff and one for families). Much like we did for the Distance Plan- the Implementation Guide spells out the HOW to the WHAT indicated in the Preparedness plan
- We are THRILLED to share that teachers will be able to keep their class lists, work in person 2 days a week and the other 3 virtual, and maintain consistency of instruction should we move throughout the Phases during the year
- Teachers were very pleased with this plan and MUCH preferred it to having some teacher virtual and others hybrid with hybrid teachers being in person 4 days a week
- Jessie Hammond will job share with another person (each being in the building 2 days a week). The only people in the building each day during phase 4 will be Ms. Rachel, Mr. Trevor, Ms. Lisa Holmes, Ms. Shelly, Mr. Cole, Ms. Abby and me.
- Also, thrilled to share that our enrollment is at 276 (Woo WHO) right now- we were at 277 last year. We have All open spots right now are for virtual only
- Hybrid programming is full (given the sq. footage of our rooms we cannot go more than 15 kids in any room.
- At last count 60% of students were in hybrid programming and 40% in virtual, however, we are allowing families to switch to virtual before school starts if they request it
- We have received a little bit of “strong advice” regarding pupil accounting from the ISD and we are going to follow it

Current Unknowns:

- State Funding- should get some clarity around the end of August
- If the Gov will make any further statements or changes about the opening of school
- If the legislature will create in flexibilities for schools

Update on Strategic Plan Implementation

Curriculum:

- Teachers will be teaching both their virtual and hybrid students as “one class” with altered approaches
- Students will be receiving the same instruction whether in hybrid or virtual- with some variations depending on who is giving a specific lesson. The classroom teacher will be assessing and adjusting instruction and groupings as needed for the their whole class

Culture:

- We were able to secure a few thousand dollars through CARES act money for social/emotional/mental health support, so we will be looking to contract with someone for that

SAFETY AND SECURITY (3.B.1, 3.B.2):

- Addressed this month in the COVID 19 Preparedness and Response Plan

3. Direct Action Updates

- I’ve yet to receive any resignations from staff at this point- this is still true!
- Kate and I met with Eric Cole to talk through changing job expectations for the new year.
- Working on Discovery Care options for wraparound services for families on a very limited basis

Facilities Update

- **THE SIGN!!!!**

Finance Updates:

- We are mid-audit
- We are choosing a new insurance plan and just approved a lease on a new server for our building

- Last week, we found out we would have about 8000.00 in additional CARES ACT money to spend			
12.	Family Team Report (Quarterly)	NA	Report
Business			
13.	Old Business (previously moved) .1 N/A	6:54	Action
14.	New Business .1 2020-2021 School Calendar Approval 1St- AE 2nd- AS All- AS, KAB, AE, TJ, AG, KD, AB, ST, ML- yes .2 Covid 19 Preparedness and Response Plan Approval 1St- AG 2nd- AB All- AS, KAB, AE, TJ, AG, KD, AB, ST, ML- yes	6:54	Action
Closing			
15.	Public Comment (Please limit comments to 3-5 minutes) - Suzi- being part of the meeting helps make feel more comfortable about changes for the net year	7:10	Comment
16.	Adjourn	Kate	7:11 Action

School Leadership:

Executive Director- Lisa Nuyens Heyne- LNH

Pedagogista- Sarah Cooper- SC

GRCDC Board Members:

President- Kate Adams-Blake- KAB

Vice President- Anissa Eddie- AE

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Secretary- Abby Sutter- AS

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Andrew Brower- AB

Ted Jauw- TJ

Amelia Grayson- AG

Meg Lockard- ML

Kevin Davis-KD

Family Team:

GRPS Liaison:

Matthew Beresford