

**Syringa Mountain School**  
**Board Meeting Minutes – 3/13/2024**

**APPROVED**

School Staff:

Christi Thompson-Director - Present virtually

Janessa Corrao-Ball - Present

Kristin Funk - Present

Board Members:

Mike Allaire - Present

John Casey - Present

Chris Alexander- Present

Jennifer Barrett-Neet- Present

Sarah Seppa - Present

Public attendance:

Michele Harris - Present

5:3 pm Time Quorum is present

- I. Opening Circle - Janessa
- II. Any Additions, Corrections, Modifications or Substitutions to the Current Agenda
  - A. No New Business
  - B. No update for Growth & Land
- III. Public comment
  - A. No public attendance
- IV. Consent agenda
  1. All items listed are Action Items and the Board may approve all of the following items by a single motion or vote unless any member of the Board asks that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration under New Business. If an item is removed from consideration under the Consent Agenda and moved into New Business such items shall remain an Action Item for consideration of Board Approval.
    - a) Board Minutes:2/21/2024
    - b) Financials: Feb '24

(1) Sarah Seppa made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Jennifer Barrett-Neet seconded. All in favor, motion approved.
- V. Old Business
  - A. Parent Council update given by Michele
    1. See minutes:  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1mTTdP1UICQMSV42Q2XnkgRW5d6SCAdtdW8W-Hf2cNxE/edit>
    2. Parent Communication will probably start mentioning the new bylaws.
  - B. Teacher Update
    1. Ski days were a success
    2. Academic growth appears to be on track and the teachers work hard not to miss seat time.
    3. Thank you to all the teachers for supporting this fun activity
  - C. Financial Update
    1. We are in good standing
      - a) See presentation at next board meeting
    1. See February Financials:  
<https://syringamountainschool.org/wp-content/uploads/Feb-24-AP-Checks-w.signatures.pdf>
  - D. Development Committee Update:

1. Please see minutes:  
<https://syringamountainschool.org/wp-content/uploads/3.6.24-Committee-meeting-minutes.pdf>
  2. Raffle packets went home
  3. \$1500 in sponsorships and \$17,000 in prize donations
  4. Crystal Oliphant got a piece of Art donated to auction for the art gala.
  5. Others will reach out for more pieces.
  6. Kelly may submit a crab feed fundraisers
- E. Director Update
1. Please see document:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/12sLlg81Yu5OvdkPdQkJy\\_R0ezzT1TgCMP\\_Y4UqPPdYY/edit](https://docs.google.com/document/d/12sLlg81Yu5OvdkPdQkJy_R0ezzT1TgCMP_Y4UqPPdYY/edit)
  2. The doors are in the process, hopefully by the end of the school year.
- F. Board Policies 5000 Series Updates
1. 5360
    - a) We will look at this next meeting after researching
- G. Syringa Growth & Land Acquisition
1. No New update
- H. Discuss Goals
1. Board
    - a) <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JHTwpuCvxYiUPdef8RfkzGEkRvT4dDBOI54-yl6awN4/edit>
    - b) We are currently looking for up to 2 new board members
- VI. New Business
- J. Mechanical Closure Approval-1/25/24
    1. Sarah Seppa made a motion to approve the closure, Jennifer Barrett-Neet seconded. All in favor, motion approved.
- VII. Executive Session
- A. Will push to a later meeting
- VIII. Adjourn meeting at 8:01 pm
- A. John Casey made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Sarah Seppa seconded. All in favor, motion approved.
- IX. Next Board Meeting Date: April 24, 2024