SBS Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, April 26, 2022
FINAL Minutes

Roll Call: Members of the board in attendance: Larry Cafero, Matthew Nittoly, Nell Conroy, Jessica Garnett, Adam Norris, Kim Grimm, Stephanie Palmer, Nicole Shagoury, Ewa Derlukiewicz
Absent: Kim Mendola, Sally Davids, Anthony Pavia

Call to Order: Larry called the meeting to order at 5:21PM

Review & Approval of March 22, 2022, minutes: Motion to approve minutes made by Nell, seconded by Stephanie.

Director's Update:

I. Teaching & Learning Update:

Students and teachers are preparing for spring SBAC tests which are scheduled for early May into early June.

II. Last Days of School 2022

Due to make up days the last day of school at Side by Side will be Thursday, June 23. The need for make-up days is the result of snow days and COVID closures in December. We are required to have school in session for 180 days.

NPS' last day of school is Friday, June 17. This is a scheduled 2-hour early dismissal day. Side by Side will need independent bus transportation for students on June 20, 21,. 22 and 23

III. Spring School Community Celebration:

The SBS faculty is in the process of planning for a school community celebration to take place outdoors on Friday, June 3. All staff and families will be invited. The event will be for community building/recreational purposes only and will not be meant to raise monies. Planning includes music, activities, food trucks, etc. More details will be made available soon.

New Business:

Several Board seats are up for renewal. Community member seats for Larry and Kim (Larry to continue on the Board), Teacher member seats for Sally and Nicole (teachers to discuss who will fill these seats at their staff meeting) and the parent seat for Jessica. The parent seat will be put up for a vote by the school community.

Finance Update: Teacher salary schedule for review every three years. Next review on September 1st. Current salary schedule, Side by Side pay is higher than Norwalk Public Schools for steps 1-17. Discussion of new pay scale for assistant teachers to stay competitive. There will be a new salary schedule for non-certified staff going to $20/hour, which represents a 2% increase.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Adam and seconded by Kim

Meeting adjourned at 6:06pm.

Agenda for 5:15pm May 24, 2022:

Roll Call

Public Session

Call to Order

Review/Approval of April meeting Minutes

New Business

Director's Update

Finance Committee

*New action items will be posted within a week of the board meeting