Minutes – MITCH Board Meeting 8/18/16

Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm

Directors present: Donna Capodacqua, Melissa Meyer, Brent Savage, Ian Gordon-Knight, Karen Forman, Jody Blakely

Members absent: Brittan Leonard, Caitlin Blood, Jason Holland, Jeff Demland

Guests: Gary and Deanna Mainerich, Christina Devlin

Donna moves to approve agenda, Brent seconds, everyone votes “aye”. Motion carries.

Jody moves to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2016 meeting, Ian seconds, everyone votes “aye”. Motion carries.

There is no public comment.

Melissa discusses enrollment, staffing, and teacher in service. The MAR for the garden improvements is still in process.

Christina provide a PSO update.

The revenue to expense ratio discussion is tabled due to need for Cindy to provide some details.

The draft of the Board goals is discussed. Amid concern that we might have too many goals, and because strategic planning is in our job descriptions, we eliminated the strategic planning goal. A number of Directors expressed concern that assigning each of us to be a liaison with a staff member could potentially create a way to circumvent the protocol of teachers approaching Melissa with complaints of concerns before going to the Board. A number also felt like this could make staff members uneasy, and make is seem like the Directors were managing instead of governing. Therefore, we replaced the Director liaison with staff tactic with holding an “Ask the Board” information session for staff wishing to attend. Donna moves to adopt the goals as discussed at the 8/18/16 meeting, Brent seconds, everyone votes “aye”. Motion carries.

Discussion of Executive Director goals is table until next regular meeting because all necessary information is not available until school is in session.

Jody discussed a poinsettia fund raiser with Al’s in which Al’s will supply us with vouchers so that those purchasing them can go to pick up their plants at the store. MITCH gets 50% of the sale. There will be four colors and two sized from which to choose. We will talk about this fund raiser at back to school night.

The events calendar from August through November is reviewed.
The outstanding action item list is discussed and progress has been made.

There is no public comment.

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Donna moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m., Ian seconds, everyone votes "aye". Motion carries.