**The Community Roots School Board Meeting**

**May 1, 2018**

**DRAFT Minutes**

Board members present: Brooke, Jason, Jen, Matt, Astrid

Staff present: Miranda, Josie

1. Consent agenda: Jason moves to approve, Astrid seconds. **Unanimously approved.**
2. Audience with visitors. Josie: Self-contained upper elementary classrooms going forward. Previously there was one combined classroom. It is a challenging space to do as it was not an open room. They are happy with the change. Owl program have a health curriculum. Includes relationships and communication skills.

Hilary D. Presenting on the next steps to expand erdkinder to a true Ag community. Many ways to engage the adolescents in work-experiential engagement. Fortunate to have involvement with Geercrest. They have had a farm education program in the past. Have been purchasing time from Adam. Currently the kids spend one week a month on the farm. Next year they will need more space. Geercrest has wanted to build a one-room farm school house. Adam, Jim Toeller and Kayla from Geercrest attended. Jim: History of farm over 10 years working with schools. Want to continue to be involved in education. Interested in a shift to adolescent leaders. Susan: See handout. Biggest push is a facility that is land based. First land based erdkinder in Oregon-less than 10 nationwide. Discussed the potential conflict of interest for a public and private collaboration. Also the challenges of combining day and residential programs. Susan has a strong commitment to public Montessori but would like to also work on a residential private program.

1. Administrator report-see handout. Hiring for Upper El meeting with Andy Bellando. Presented draft of letter regarding the certification requirements needed for a charter. Montessori NW has a program for Montessori and state certification. Currently the recruitment has very qualified Montessori trained individuals but they do not have Oregon certification. Presented a timeline to hire now and move towards compliance. SFSD has the authority to allow. Fundraising: garage sale in May, plan for the kids to help if available. Started auction planning, new auctioneer next year.
2. Policy updates and review:
* IGAK-no adoption
* GBEC - Drug-Free Workplace: Miranda to work with SFSD on procedures.
1. Teacher contracts: Jason moves to approve, Brooke seconds. **Unanimously approved.**
2. Lunch: Fresh and local will not provide a sack lunch any longer and Miranda is exploring a new program. Would need a cleaning station for a hot lunch program. Lunch program is costing more each year. Less paid lunches and we lose $1 for each free or reduced lunch.