SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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DATE:12/8/22TIME:4:30PMLOCATION:Cottonwood School

<u>Mission Statement</u>: To provide a creative learning environment where students develop a sense of place and become stewards of the natural world and active citizens within our community.

Meeting began at 4:33PM. Meeting adjourned at 5:35PM.

In Attendance

- Amy Sample Ward, co-chair
- Mari Van Sickle, co-chair
- Jonathan Moore, treasurer
- Emily Sturgess Cleek, secretary
- Amanda McAdoo, director
- Katt Beckley, reading specialist
- Susan Hathaway, academic director

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Book Drive / Swap event
 - a. Want to get more diverse books to all families for all family members
 - b. Katt and Sade looking to plan something for after winter break for January or February
- 2. Approval of November minutes
 - a. Jonathan moves, Mari seconded
 - b. Approved unanimously
- 3. Financial update
 - a. Prior staff changed our PERS reporting which resulted in employees underpaying their contributions and the school underpaying the school's contribution. We have to rectify this with a \$30k payment.
 - b. Amy motions to approve the PERS payment; Jonathan seconded
 - c. Approved unanimously
- 4. Friends update
 - a. Action planning moving forward; hoping to get additional parents engaged with monthly Friends of Cottonwood gatherings at morning drop off.
- 5. Real estate
 - a. Family survey and staff survey for January
 - b. Dennis Allen, former board chair, could be a resource
 - c. Need to increase charter for student number

- 6. Director's report
 - a. Two new students; no new students after winter break
 - b. Maribella is selling the bus 26 person capacity, very low miles. They don't have pricing yet but will get back to us next week. Currently does not have a catalytic converter.