

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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DATE: 05/08/24 **TIME:** 5:00

LOCATION: Cottonwood School

Mission Statement: 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 5:06

Meeting adjourned at 6:17

In Attendance

Meeting Minutes

1. Public comment
 - a. Jenny gives public comment regarding neurodivergent student population and students on IEPs. Disciplinary plan and community plan is also raised. 5 suggestions are offered.
2. Financial outlook
 - a. Income is 8% better than expected
 - b. Admin works to keep us under our budget on expenses
 - c. We are operating at a deficit
3. Director's Report Highlights
 - a. ODE site visit is 05/09 going to Tryon, bird alliance and latino network presentation.
 - b. New PE teacher is up and running and feeling good.
 - c. Home Depot garden grant is happening th/fr. Students painted out graffiti so the building feels fresh.
 - d. Reimagining workshop is going well. Surveys, focus groups.
 - e. Saturday pond visit by BIPOC affinity group was a success in spite of the weather.
 - f. Amanda attended 2 conferences and made great connections.
4. Approving consent agenda
 - a. Jonathan motions, Jill seconds, unanimous vote
5. Visioning
 - a. 9th = visioning
 - b. 17th = board and administration
6. Phones
 - a. Hardwiring + phone devices + door bell

- b. \$11,465 + \$140/mo
 - c. Up front, or half and half
 - d. Cameras are an additional cost
 - e. Board will write a policy for cameras, recording, consent, data retention
 - i. Amanda to research precedent from other schools
 - f. Jonathan motions to vote, Mari seconds, unanimous vote. Phones approved.
- 7. Board recruitment
 - a. Mari has created a flyer
- 8. Friends of CSCS
 - a. Fundraiser at the end of the year. Is this worth the effort?
 - b. Auction and/or bingo
 - c. This is a lot of effort for a small group of people planning
 - d. Paddle raise is the most effective fundraiser
 - e. Available on the 1st
 - f. Swag