

Great Expectations School

Growing Hearts and Minds, One Child at a Time

Annual Meeting: Thursday, November 15th, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

Welcome:

Board Chair Sara Hingos welcomed guests to the meeting and reviewed the agenda. She then introduced Peter James, GES Director, who presented a brief "State of the School" update. The update included a reading of the school's mission, a reflection on how that mission is being lived out in our tenth year, and an overview of some of the key priorities for on-going development of the school.

The update also included the announcement of a new initiative to help address the school's cash flow financing challenges: private loans. The school hopes to borrow money from private individuals rather than institutions in order to reduce its cost of borrowing and minimize the collateral requirements of conventional loans.

Membership Annual Business Meeting:

Board Chair Sara Hingos called the business meeting to order at 6:35 and reviewed the agenda. She then thanked Peter James and Amy Henrikson for their ex-officio board service and introduced the current board members and officers.

Sara called for a motion to approve the prior year minutes. Michael Garry made the motion and Suzy Schweig seconded. Following a review of the minutes and minor corrections, a vote was taken and the motion to approve the minutes as revised passed.

Amanda Hand, Board Vice-Chair and Board Development Committee Chair, provided the membership an overview of the election process from the school's by-laws, announced the board members appointed to fill open terms (Allison Lowe, Tom Jack, and Susan Miller), and presented the nominees for election or re-election to new three-year terms:

Jeanne Smith, Amanda Hand, and Sara Hingos.

Jon Hedstrom made a motion to accept the slate of nominees as presented. Peter James seconded. Amanda called for additional nominees from the floor. Hearing none, a vote was taken and the motion passed.

Amanda presented the proposed slate of officers:

Sara Hingos, Chair; Amanda Hand, Vice-Chair; Allison Lowe, Treasurer; and Susan Miller, Secretary

Michael Garry made a motion to accept the slate of officers as presented. Suzy Schweig seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Amy Henrikson made a motion to adjourn. Peter Henrikson seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.