

Lerner Jewish Day School
Board Meeting
January 21, 2020
6:30-8:50 pm

Present: Evelina Moulder, Jeremy Browner, Andrew Sklerov, Dave Childers, Jared Goldstein, Dori Steinberg, Norma Gindes, Matt Slotkin, Richard Ellman, Kersten Biehn, Jon Lovins, Jonathan Dayan. Absent: Stan Kovler, Rachel Erdheim.
Also present: Beth Null, Head of School; Tal Wittle, Lerner Development Director; Eric Stultz, Lerner Finance & Operations Director.

1. Harold Grinspoon Life & Legacy Program. Grace Kaplan, program manager at the Durham JCC-Federation, presented. The L & L program promotes after lifetime giving to build the endowments of local Jewish entities.
2. Development Update. Tal Wittle, Lerner's Development director, provided an update on fundraising efforts.
3. Special Appeal. Beth Null spoke of plans to fund a renovation of Lerner's library space to create a maker space (a collaborative work space) and STEM lab. Jeremy motions in support of the initiative. Kersten seconds and the motion passes unanimously.
4. Head of School (HOS) report. Rachel Holt, the new 4th grade teacher, is enjoying a successful transition. A Hebrew at the Center (HATC) consultant is visiting, to assist in use of their curriculum within the Hebrew coursework at Lerner. Recruitment and enrollment of new students is on course. Lerner's digital media campaigns are underway. Strategic planning efforts are moving forward; a Board governance survey was disseminated on Monday, 1/20/20.
5. Lerner's proposed school calendar for 2020-21 was presented and discussed by Beth Null. Norma motions to approve the proposed calendar, Jon Lovins seconds and the motion carries unanimously.
6. Finance Update. Eric presented on the monthly dashboard (for 2019-20). Lerner received a "clean" report from the audit. The Board will address next year's budget in the March meeting. Eric shared he is resigning from Lerner in the coming months. His wife, a physician, has secured an infectious diseases fellowship in Seattle.
7. Governance Committee. Kersten and Richard Goldberg are co-chairing. Kersten shared she'll be soliciting input via email disseminated tomorrow regarding the roles and responsibilities of Board members. Board members are to respond promptly about their intentions for the coming year detailing whether we wish to continue on the Board and, if so, in the same or different role. We're asked to identify prospective board members to assist the committee with planning. Discussion follows about how Rachel will step down as Secretary and Matt Slotkin is nominated to fill the position. Jeremy motions in support and Richard seconds. The motion passes unanimously. Kersten motions to add Rachel to an at large spot on the board. Dori seconds and the motion carries unanimously.
8. Minutes to December Board Meeting. The minutes are approved contingent upon inclusion of the adjournment time (in December). Jon Lovins motions and Matt seconds and the motion passes unanimously.

9. Executive Session. A motion is first made to add Beth to the board's Executive Session. Kersten motions and Jonathan seconds and the motion carries unanimously. Next, Kersten motions to go into Executive Session. Jeremy seconds and the motion passes unanimously. Discussion centers on administration changes and Lerner's admissions policies.

The Board adjourns at 8:50 pm.