

Gathering Waters Board Agenda

May 1, 10:45 a.m. EST

The mission of Gathering Waters Chartered Public School is to offer students in the Monadnock region an education that enables them to discover their interests and capabilities; explore the surrounding world; and cultivate a lifelong love of learning, a sense of community responsibility and understanding of environmental sustainability. We carry out this mission by providing a rich and engaging curriculum that integrates the arts, meaningful practical work, outdoor education and service to the larger community.

Our vision is an inclusive school culture of compassion and respect where deep interest in others goes hand in hand with individual growth. The educational environment enables students to develop self-confidence, self-knowledge, intellectual flexibility, and the capacity for creative problem solving that supports ethical action in their local and global communities.

In Attendance: Gabrielle, Dan, Jonny, Anny, Janet, Eliza, Elizabeth, Emily

Non voting member: Luke

Other Attendees: Justin

I. Approve Minutes from 3/27/2021 meeting- Motion to approve: Jonny / Second: Eliza / Vote: Unanimous

- II. Acknowledgement of application for participation in federally funded education programs. Review of FY22 Charter School General Assurances Document
- a. Board approves of GW pursuing federal funding grants or loans which requires complying with the federal government's FY22 Charter School General Assurances Document - **Motion to approve: Janet / Second: Gabrielle / Vote: Unanimous**

III. Approvals

- A. Resolution for HEFA: To authorize the Lead Administrator and/or Business Administrator to execute documents with New Hampshire Health and Education Facilities Authority for a loan through the Direct Loan Program of up to \$100,000 for working capital and \$100,000 for equipment at 1% interest for a term of 5 years to finance pre operational costs. **Motion to approve: Jonny / Second: Janet / Vote: Unanimous**
- B. Out of state tuition: \$8k over 4 or 10 for out of state - **Motion to approve: Jonny / Second: Janet / Vote: Unanimous**
- C. Fiscal Agent Relationship with Founders Academy Foundation **Motion to approve: Emily / Second: Eliza / Vote: Unanimous**

- D. Confirm lease for 98 S Lincoln Street **Motion to approve: Gabrielle / Second: Jonny / Vote: Unanimous**
- E. 15000 loan from Karl Schurman to cover deposit at Washington Street; 0% interest with preferred repayment date in December (March if needed) **Motion to approve: Gabrielle / Second: Janet / Vote: Unanimous**
- F. 15000 loan from Marcy Schepker to cover purchase of tables for Washington ST, 0% interest with preferred repayment date in September **Motion to approve: Emily / Second: Eliza / Vote: Unanimous**

IV. Asks

Gabrielle asked board members to look at if they can give more monetary gifts, as well as make asks of others to sure up our budget until state and federal funds come through. We will have approx. \$60k in funds, including the two proposed loans, but all of this is spoken for in budget. Waiting on larger gifts and low interest loans. As a backup plan, we can get a market rate loan through Savings Bank of Walpole if needed.

Next Meeting: Saturday May 15, 2021 8:30 a.m. EST

Faculty portion of meeting:

In Attendance: Amy Kleine, Signe Motter, Jed Hart, Laura Rubiano - Gomez, Jan Lyndes, Jennifer Butler, Julie Ludvigsen, Amara Young, Sondra Nelson, Katie Oswald, Amanda Vaine, Willie Robbins, Jessie Morin, Sara Galligan, Sara Norris, Fiona, Melanie Everard.

Gabrielle gave brief history of the founding of Gathering Waters

Luke gave brief history of Waldorf Education and it's start

Introduction exercise - Breakout rooms w/ groups of 2, then back to main group to introduce partner.

Committees:

Enrollment: Sara Norris, Fiona Laurie, Gabrielle Schuerman

Marketing: Elizabeth Hamshaw (Website and Facebook), Fiona Laurie (Constant Contact), Dan Kurz

Outreach: Melanie Everard, Marcy Schepker

Development and Fundraising: Holly Gibson, Sara Ciborski, Marcy Shepker, Gabrielle Schuerman, Elizabeth Hamshaw

Finance: Jonny Norris, Gabrielle Schuerman, Kathy Gross

Facilities: Fiona Laurie, Gabrielle Schuerman, Janet Gordon, Theresa Majoy, Dan Kurz, Marcy Schepker

HR: Anny Hamshaw, Justin Somma

Hiring: Emily Sherwood, Janet Gordon, Gabrielle Schuerman

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion: Eliza Murphy, Emily Sherwood, Gabrielle...

Kindergarten/EC Working Group: Eliza Murphy, Marcy Schepker, Sara Norris