

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VENTURE PREP

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Venture Prep was duly called on December 5, 2016. Present at the meeting were:

Stephen Dalla Betta	Board President
Drew Bixby	Board Vice President
Kayla McGannon	Board Secretary
Jake Gilmore	Board Member
Justin McMorrow	Board Member
Loren Oranski	Board Member
Erin Quigley	School Leader
Chuck Born	Board Member

I. Board Chair Dalla Betta opened the meeting and welcomed board members. The Chair spoke to the follow-up from the last meeting and forward mapping to where we want to be.

II. Erin's Quigley's Report – 13% of our students are gifted and talented. It is an important indicator and also helpful to Summit Basecamp because so much of Summit Basecamp relies on a self-starter approach from the students. Recently, one of our teachers took over the college and career piece and combined with the G&T piece there are assets we can market Venture off of. Justin, Chair of the Marketing Committee, spoke to the recent marketing work and changes to the branding, website, and recent feedback we've received on our branding. Board discussed RTD monthly passes (\$25 a month) per student as a benefit to students and families. Board asked questions about the budget and planning for 2017-18 and the necessity for a neutral budget.

Choice process opened on December 1, in terms of the school's ability to be marketing itself. Formal process opens on January 5, 2017. The marketing materials are better this year than last. Meeting with guidance counselors now who have the greatest impact on middle school students.

Venture is now a totally internet-dependent school. The connection at the school is a major problem. It is not bandwidth but it is a major issue.

III. 2016-17 Leadership Goals Discussion – Erin provided the board with draft goals. Board asked questions on overall academic growth and MGP, future SPF calculations. Board discussed the make-up of the SPF and the calculation of growth in comparison to peer schools and in relation to the potential goals for Erin. Data driven instruction, high levels of teacher accountability and school culture are the focus for the leadership team at this point. Board asked Erin to take the draft and come back to the Board with a final version at the next Board meeting.

IV. Board unanimously approved the November meeting minutes.

V. Public comment - No public comment was heard.

Meeting was formally adjourned