Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes OPEN
Date: Monday, July 22, 2013 7pm

Held at: Birches Academy
419 South Broadway Ave, Salem, NH 03079

Present: Christie Storniolo, Chair, Holly Ruocco, Secretary, Kevin Collins, Treasurer, Dr. Dael Angelico-Hart, Head of School, Nicole Charest, Teacher Representative, Christine Miele, Dianne Wright, Melissa Magnuson, John Mack, Caren Brown, Tara Ingalls, Ola Lessard

Committee/Community Members: Jessica Wachsman

Public Members: Robbie Graham, Steve DeVito, Loreen Sullivan, Tammi Bentley, School Attorney Jim O'Shaughnessy

Regrets: Ruth Templeton

1. Call to Order: CS called the meeting to order 7:09 pm
2. Approval last meetings minutes: CB motions to approve the minutes for June 2103, DW seconds. All in favor: all Oppose: none June Minutes are approved.

3. Governance: HR received two correspondences they will be discussed during our closed session to night.

4. HOS Report: July Governing Board Update (see handout) from HOS Dr. Dael Angelico-Hart. iPad Program: MM opens to discuss that our wording in the policy needs to be clear when implementing the iPad Program. MM is concerned that these policies need to be dynamic policy as technology is changes so quick these days. JO suggested that it be the HOS's responsibility to keep up with the policy and that policies can be changed at any time at the HOS and boards discretion. HOS will be responsible FOR maintaining the iPad program.

CS requested we ratify the IPAD discussion from the June 3rd meeting to be a board vote to demonstrate to the community that the Board supports the HOS implementing the Parent IPAD purchases in grade 5/6.Birches will implement a parent purchase iPad program in grades 5/6 which will have a 3 pronged approach. 1) Education, 2) Responsibility and 3) Policy Development. HOS will be responsible in maintaining the policy as technology and circumstances warrant. MM motions this JM seconds. All in favor: All Opposed: none. Board supports HOS as she moves forward with the IPAD program.

Finance Committee: KC reviewed the Budget. JW is in the middle of our first audit. Net Balance of $80,962.45 will be decreasing due to summer deductions. $34,000 will be deducted in pending expenses, all related to payroll. It appears we will end our year with $45,000. JW spoke about how she feels the audit is going and feels very confident about it. Foundation money of $35,000 was moved over to the Birches Account in July. This report was done through June. This financial does not reflect the Foundation money. CS moves to

accept the 6/30/13 budget that the finance committee has put forth, CM seconds. All in favor: All Opposed: none

6. Outreach: OL gave update. JW and AH have agreed to take control of the "Souper Bowl" fundraiser. Tentative date is Wednesday November 13, 2013 at the Atkinson Country Club. They have started asking for donations from the community. There will be a "Mystery Gift". Within the next week we should have the confirmed dates. JW has worked out preliminarily estimates based on 200 people. $30,000 is estimated. CS asked all board members to take part in this. JW suggested that the updates should come from the Foundation since the money will be going to the Foundation.

7. Public Comment: CS asked for any comments from the five public guests tonight. There were no comments or questions.

7:55 pm we entered into NON MEETING with School Attorney Jim O'Shaughnessy

9:17 pm CS announces that we are back in public session.

Motion on the table to discuss personal matter and go into non public session. OL moves, JM seconds. All in favor: all Opposed: none. No roll call necessary as it was an unanimous vote at 9:22 pm.

8. HR moves to adjourned the meeting, CM seconds. All in favor: all Opposed: none Meeting is adjourned at 10:01 pm