



FGCS Board of Directors  
October 14, 2019 Meeting

**Board Members Present**

Bob Hatt, Chair  
Steve Molin, Secretary  
Robbie Pock, Treasurer  
Wynter Kaiser, member  
Brooke Harris, member  
Anita Zijdemans-Boudreau, Vice Chair

**Board Members Absent**

Roger Neyman, member  
Mackenzie Carey Johnston, member (excused)

**Staff Members Present**

Vanessa Gray, Principal  
Karen Torry, Director of Operations

**Voting Items**

- September 2019 Minutes: Bob moved to approve the minutes as written; Robbie seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

**Discussion Items**

- [Student Success Act](#): \$2 billion per biennium for public education to fund a variety of programs, including early childhood education, high school, historically underfunded state programs, Oregon Department of Education. \$500 million per biennium. will go into Student Investment Account for K-12 public schools. Vanessa reviewed the timeline for statewide implementation of the SSA. Charter schools are eligible to apply directly for grant funds if they have certain student populations that are 35% or higher and that are higher than the district; FGCS does not qualify to apply directly, but will be included in the Forest Grove School District's application. 4 categories: class size, well-rounded education, instructional time, health and safety. Vanessa reported that she anticipates

FGCS's share of the District grant to be approximately \$130,000/year. She noted that teachers and staff have long prioritized having a school counselor or mental health therapist as the best use of additional funding. FGCS also faces an unfunded mandate to significantly increase PE instruction time. Expanding PE to meet the unfunded state mandate may require expanding Fridays to full school days.

- Brooke asked what the role of the mental health therapist would be. Vanessa indicated that the role would need to be developed, but there is a need both for classroom instruction, teacher support and direct services to students struggling with emotional/behavioral/mental health issues.
- PE: Additional PE could be funded as part of the well-rounded education category.
- Vanessa is hosting a forum and will send out a survey to gather school community input.
- OSBA Trainings: Board members have been provided log-ins for Oregon School Boards Association so they can access online trainings. Robbie completed a training on Roles, Responsibilities and Best Practices for school board members. She found the training helpful in determining Board v. administration responsibilities and roles.

## **Reports**

Administrator Report highlights:

- Robbie and Bob have agreed to serve with Vanessa on a compensation committee.
- Molly Hackney has been hired as Level 4 instructional assistant
- FGCS has been approved for 2 additional work study positions for academic support in math and reading.
- Karen reported that PACE has paid out nearly \$3,000 for the water-damage claim caused by a water dispenser leak in the Level 3 building.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Tues., Nov. 12, 2019.