

TCDN Public Board Meeting  
Tuesday, June 28, 2022  
7:30 p.m.

A public board meeting was held in Parish Hall at Trinity Church.

Board members present: Gina Furia, Lisa Godlewski, Karen Golden, Aaron Granger, Dan Grodner, James Levine, Beth McNally, Jennifer Peck, Amy Pedergrana, Corinne Weidner (remote)

Board members absent: Kevin Bovard, Diane Ibrahim, Rachel Smuts

Also present: Executive Director Theresa Snyder

**Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** Aaron moved to approve the May public board meeting minutes. Karen seconded, and the motion passed.

### **Director's Report**

#### **Program**

- The Preschool art show was postponed due to COVID. It has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 13.
- The end of school year transition went smoothly.
- Summer camp has begun. We recently hired three new summer camp staff members, and orientation went well.
- Keystone STARS program will no longer accept the emergent curriculum as a standard for STARS. TCDN will supplement the Creative Curriculum along with the Emergent Curriculum and we will work on ways to incorporate both.
- Keystone STARS is now requiring an identifiable lead teacher for each classroom. TCDN has co-teachers in the Preschool. We will work to comply with the new requirement.

#### **Personnel**

- We hired new Crickets teacher, Paula Danneker who has close to 20 years of experience, an Instructional II certificate in ECE and Certification in Special Ed. She will be starting mid-July.
- Former staff member Tim Lovenguth will be returning to the Preschool in July.
- Two Preschool teachers have resigned and will be leaving in July and August, respectively.
- Donna Mentz (Finance Manager) and Ursula Peterson's (OST Director) on-boarding/orientation is going well.

#### **OCDEL/COVID**

- One OST child tested positive. No close contacts were identified.
- Five Squirrel children tested positive. As a result, some other Preschool children needed to quarantine.

## **Finance/HR**

- Currently reviewing charge-off accounts.
- The new NPE lease has been signed and is awaiting School Board approval.

## **Other**

- Some challenging behaviors continue at the Preschool. Staff are working with families and DCIU (Delaware County Intermediate Unit) to help the families receive the services their children need.
- Pat DeHaven's last day is June 30.
- Parent communication tool Cluster has been acquired by another company but will continue to be available.
- The migration from EZ Care to ProCare is complete and the first billing cycle will be in July.
- Beginning in September, we will begin accepting credit cards in the office.
- Repairs of Kangaroo bathroom/floor replacement is complete.
- DHS re-certification window (30 days) is open for SASC.

## **Fundraising Committee**

- We have reserved the Towne House restaurant in Media for TCDN's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary event on November 11, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- The Committee is looking for assistance with creating a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo, registering with a payment platform, collecting historical photos to use at the event, and outreach to TCDN families for photos and memories to share.
- The Committee requested to create a task force to assist with planning, which request was approved.

## **Governance Committee**

- The Governance Committee circulated an updated Board Handbook, and requested all Board members to review over the summer. We will plan to approve the amendments at the September meeting.
- The Committee proposed the following slate of officers to comprise the Executive Committee for the 2022-2023 year: President – Beth McNally; Vice President – James Levine; Secretary – Amy Pedernana; Secretary – Jennifer Peck
  - Gina moved to accept the Committee's proposal and elect the nominees to their respective positions. Aaron seconded, and the motion passed.
- The Committee recognized that due to the current language in TCDN's bylaws, Board members are required to be re-elected to a second term to remain on the Board. Accordingly, the Committee proposed that the Board re-elect Beth and James to a full second term, and re-elect Jennifer, Karen, Gina, and Diane for the remaining two years on their second terms
  - Gina moved to accept the Committee's proposal and re-elect the Board members. Aaron seconded, and the motion passed.

## **DEI Task Force Update**

- The Task Force is currently working on developing a curriculum.

- The Task Force expressed its desire to have additional Board representation, and also to reach out to TCDN families in the fall to expand participation.

Next board meeting September 27, 2022 (location TBD).

The public meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.