

**Woodlands School  
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Minutes  
May 19, 2016 - FINAL**

<p><b>Attending:</b></p>	<p><b>Officers:</b>            Chair – Loretta Cephus – Y            Vice Chair – Sue Bay - Y            Treasurer – Catherine Wittig - Y            Secretary – Matt O’Neill - Y            Ex-Officio – Maureen Sullivan, Executive Director/Principal – Y            Woodlands East - Y            Patty Rogers, Principal, Woodlands - Y</p> <p><b>Trustees:</b>            Acevedo, Rafael – N            Coby-Beaver, Jacqueline - Y            Caruso, Carolyn – Y            Griffin, Dennis - Y            Hartwig-Rahmani, Brenda – Y            Newell, Dr. Markeda - Y            Richardson, Peter - Y            Schultz, Jason - N            Sheka, Lynn – Y</p> <p>Guests: Dave Steele; Kelly McKenna, Jonathan West; Kathy Simonis; Mitch Hartman; Michael Pointer-Mace.</p>
<p><b>1. Open Session</b></p>	<p>Listening Sessions. Sue Bay gave a report on the four listening sessions conducted with parents and faculty/staff. Parent sessions at both schools attended by 6 parents. Sue described the parent concerns – Bluemound parents are happy with the school and want that to continue; State Street parents concerned that they school has not reached the level they expect from Woodlands. State Street faculty is concerned about preferences for Bluemound, and the need for a dedicated principal at State Street not overly distracted with Executive Director concerns.</p> <p>Bluemound faculty staff session was the largest; attendees expressed a lot of feedback about the requirements for the job (Educator Effectiveness training, understanding multi-age), the special nature of Woodlands, the time it takes to learn the Woodlands Way; and the</p>

	<p>need for someone who can empower the teachers and staff.</p> <p>Michael Pointer Mace stated that the speakers at the Bluemound session we also pointing out that Patty does all of the things we are looking for; stressed that Woodlands is a great place because of the people at Bluemound. Mitch Hartman thanked the Board for the listening sessions, as did Jonathan West.</p> <p>Questions from guests about the interview process, and the questioning. Questions will be the same for each candidate; Kathy Simonis said there may need to be some limited follow-up; questions will be asked by board, parents, staff and community members; Board is in the process of putting together the questions, and has received good input from the faculty and staff; attempt is to have most questions phrased as behavioral</p>
<p><b>2. Closed Session</b></p>	<p><b>MOTION</b> to go into Closed Session by Peter Richardson, second by Markeda, motion passed unanimously.</p>
<p><b>3. Adjourn</b></p>	<p><b>Motion</b> to adjourn by Peter, second by Jason, motion passed unanimously.</p>

Prepared by: Matt O’Neill