

Inspire

Foundation

Agenda

March 10th, 2020

6:00pm

The Inspire Foundation is a private tax-exempt organization tasked to garner funds to support capital projects and ongoing programmatic needs of Inspire School of Arts & Sciences located in Chico, CA.

1. Welcome/Introductions 6:00

2. Review of current Staff and Board Members

Staff

Celeste Cramer	Development Director
Michelle Hipp	ChicoStart Intern
Kylie Lindquist	ChicoStart Intern

Board (5 of 7)

Georgie Bellin	Member
Sam Gronseth	CFO
Dan La Bar	President
Tam Le	Secretary
Casey Taylor	Member

2 Vacant	Member
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Advisory Members (6 of 15)

Dave Elke	Advisory
Desiree Gonzalez	Advisory
Rose Krepelka	Advisory
Tom Nickell	Advisory
Eric Nilsson	Advisory
Jennifer Spangler	Advisory

9 Vacant	Advisory
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3. Review Foundation Activities/Partnerships

6:10

- a. Development Staff, MOU with the School & Foundation as an employer
 - i. At the February meeting, the Inspire Governing Board approved up to \$100k spending over a 6 month time period. These funds are expected to be returned to the school by the Foundation and governed by an MOU.
 - ii. A Development Director has been recruited, offered and accepted.
 - iii. A start date of Monday, March 23rd has been established.
 - iv. The Development Director will be an employee of the school during this time and will transition to an employee of the Foundation at the completion of the MOU term.
 - v. The 6 month term will allow the Foundation to establish employment protocols, policy, insurance, payroll, coordination of benefits and explore consultants to facilitate adequate support, evaluation, and supervision of employees.

- b. Intern Update
 - i. Interns - Kylie Lindquist and Michelle Hipp are on board, have gone through orientation and are working weekly out of ChicoStart
 - ii. Both are interested in continuing with summer projects and next fall to earn intern hours towards major coursework.

- c. Logistics
 - i. Doris Luther is finalizing the tax exempt application on behalf of the Foundation
 - ii. A letter was submitted to the California School Finance Authority stating the Foundation is committing to raise \$200k for the purposes of matching Prop 51 funds.
 - iii. A database using Salesforce software is in development
 - iv. A website is in development and is in need of Board and Advisory Bio's

- d. Inspire Support Team Partnership
 - i. Consider purchasing [tickets/table](#) at the [Neverland Ball](#), Sat. April 4th
 - ii. Consider sponsoring a ticket for interns
 - iii. Dan purchased a Table for 6 - \$600 (Reserved seating)
 - 1. Full - Dan, Tam, Sam (+1), and Eva (+1) Director of ChicoStart

- e. Partnership with Inspire School
 - i. Eric Nilsson, Mary Lou Lim, and Celeste Cramer met with Gail Jubitz.
 - ii. RGA Architecture Meeting/Process
 - 1. Schedule of activities are found on Page 4 of the [RGA Proposal](#)
 - 2. March meetings will consist of:
 - a. Core Group Meeting #3
 - b. All Community Meeting
 - 3. The proposed design will be presented to the Inspire Governing Board in April

- iii. The Inspire Governing Board asked the Foundation to pursue quotes from Development Firms.
 - 1. Dan and Becky met with two firms and received price structures for readiness assessments, feasibility studies, and ongoing professional support of a capital campaign. Both firms had direct connections to Chico and Butte County.
 - 2. The retainer for such firms to engage with Foundation staff and board ranges from \$5k - \$10k per month.
 - 3. Becky and Dan are following up with the education arm of the firm Martz & Lundy
- iv. The School and Foundation are in negotiations of the terms of an MOU between the organizations.

4. Consider goal proposal for Prop 51 local matching funds All 6:50

- a. Consider the State Allocation Board [passed Prop 51 Funding for Inspire](#) with the following allocations:
 - i. \$7.05M New Construction
 - ii. \$10.76M Rehabilitation
 - iii. \$1.5M CTE Facilities
 - iv. Note: all Prop 51 funding requires a 50% Local Match
- b. Consider Funding Sources available to the school
 - i. \$1.01M Measure K (Round 2)
 - ii. \$1.11M Measure K (Round 3)
 - iii. \$1.0M CUSD Commitment
 - iv. TBD Additional Strategic Local Partnerships
 - v. TBD Inspire School Loan Capacity
- c. Consider the impact of the March 3rd election results RE: Prop 13.
 - i. Prop Failed
 - ii. 54% No
 - iii. 46% Yes
- d. Consider the [Source Application Model](#) presented by Mike W. in January.
- e. Consider the [goal setting worksheet](#) presented in February (updated for March).
- f. Consider the Foundation Officer's Recommended Goal of approximately \$5M for the first phase of capital projects.

5. Consider sources of seed money All 7:05

6. Consider additional members/recruitment All 7:15

7. Adjourn 7:30

8. Next Meeting - Tuesday, April 7th, 2020