

CITY OF MALDEN, MASSACHUSETTS

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Linden STEAM Academy Governing Board Agenda November 1, 2018 at 7:00 am Linden STEAM Academy Library

Call to order: 7:08am

1) Roll Call: Callie Walsh, Elaine Rittershaus, Rachana Gray, Jessica Leggett, Deb Gesualdo, Justin Umlah, Cynara Cannatella, Eden Gargart Smith, John Oteri, Kenya Avant, Netsanet Defabachew, John Murray, Tim Ruggere, Kathleen Christensen

Quorum: sufficient to conduct business

2) Motion to pass work on Mass IDEAS Planning: Motion to approve made by Cynnara Cannatella, second by Rachana Gray

Discussion:

- Grant amount is \$150,000
- The grant application would just be for application at the moment, not a commitment to the money
- No on question 2 against charter school expansion was huge a few years ago and many corporations such as this were for charter school expansion
- Malden was soundly against charter school expansion and privatization
- Foundations like Mass IDEAS create 2 tier school systems
- This grant is to redesign and LSA needs enhancement at this point and not redesign
- Redesign could be a chance to see what the school could be—planning grant, not necessarily implementation grant
- Staff feel that this is not the right time to be making any big changes
- Should look at DESE enhancement grant for the next fiscal year to support and enhance the innovation plan
- Due date of Mass IDEAS grant doesn't seem feasible (November 5, 2018)—too close to today's meeting
- School community made clear last spring not to make any other changes besides administration, need to go forward with fidelity

Next Steps:

- Meet with grade level teams on what school wants from grant funding
- Staff outreach: talk to colleagues about compiled list of grants
- Set up a script for future grants to pull from in order to expedite any logistical process for grant applications

Roll Call Vote:

	Yes	No
Avant, Kenya	Х	
Cannatella, Cynara		Х
Christensen, Kathleen		Х
Defabachew, Netsanet	Х	

Garhart Smith, Eden		Х
Gesualdo, Deb		Х
Gray, Rachana		Х
Leggett, Jessica		Х
Murray, John		Х
Oteri, John		Х
Rittershaus, Elaine		Х
Ruggere, Tim		Х
Umlah, Justin		Х
Walsh, Callie		Х
Total	2	12

3) Adjournment: 7:42 am Motion to adjourn by Justin Umlah. Second by Kenya Avant. Motion carries.