



**Yinghua Academy Board of Directors**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
Monday, July 18, 2016, 6:00  
PM Yinghua Academy Media  
Center

**Board Members in Attendance:** Mei Chen, Kimberly Gill (Secretary), Denny Grubish (Treasurer), Emily Hanson, Shu-Mei Lei, Joel Luedtke, Karen Lu, David Mair, Lisa Matre, Amanda Schneider, Chris Ziolkowski

**Board Members Not in Attendance:** Rosemary Lawrence, Seth Werner

**Public in Attendance:** Anne Sturdivant

**YACA Representative in Attendance:** Dina Nash (arrived 6:16)

I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lu called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

II. APPROVALS (6 min)

a. 7/18/16 Agenda

**The MOTION to approve the agenda as amended by Ms. Hanson was seconded and passed.**

b. 6/20/16 Regular Meeting Minutes

**The MOTION to approve the minutes as amended by Ms. Matre was seconded and passed. Ms. Schneider abstained from the vote.**

c. Staff Leave of Absence Policy

General discussion ensued regarding the language of the policy.

**The MOTION to approve policy as amended by Mr. Luedtke was seconded and passed.**

III. PUBLIC

COMMENT None

IV. STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE (70 min)

Ms. Sturdivant presented an overview of four phases of the strategic learning cycle. There was discussion about role of the board, committee members, and school administration in its formation and implementation. Ms. Sturdivant explained that the board will be looking at scenarios in the upcoming months. Questions arose regarding the timing of the various phases of the learning cycle and the formation of a strategic plan.

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V. GOVERNANCE UPDATE (15 min)

Ms. Matre presented the second reading of the draft Gender Inclusion Policy, which is based on a sample MSBA policy. Discussion ensued regarding the wording and implementation of the policy.

VI. FINANCE UPDATE (9 min)

Mr. Grubish gave a general financial overview of the past year.

Discussion ensued. VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT (19 min)

Mrs. Berg shared highlights of the

Taiwan trip. VIII. ADJOURN (4 min)

Ms. Lu presented the final board meeting schedule for the 2016-2017 school year.

**The MOTION to adjourn by Ms. Schneider at 8:07 pm was seconded and passed.**

Minutes drafted by Kimberly Gill, Secretary

Approved by the board on 8/15/16