## Scattergood Friends School School Committee Meeting Open Session Minutes January 15,2022

conducted via Zoom

#### **Mission Statement**

# Scattergood Friends School challenges students with a college-preparatory curriculum, farm experience, a shared work program, and community living in the spirit of Quaker faith.

Members Present: Matthew Gillespie, David Wilcox, Nancy Jordan, Roy Helm (acting clerk), Laël Gatewood (recording clerk), Alex Lippitt, Matt Zisk, Aaron Woolfson, George Bergus, Kent Tjossem, Eric Stakland Member Regrets: Ruth Hampton, Charlie Johnson, Linda Corbin-Pardee School Staff Present: John Zimmerman, Ethan Huelskamp, Shari Sollars, Kathy Herbert, Kim Jones Guest: Chi Achebe, DEI Coordinator

We began at 9:30 am CST with silent worship. Out of the silence the acting clerk shared the following.

"Life's too short to worry ... I ain't got the time!" by Todd Snyder.

### Announcements:

The clerk introduced Eric Stakland, a new member of the School Committee. Eric is a farmer and potter, with many family ties to Iowa and the School. He has a MBA and was CEO of many organizations. Currently he is working with another school's alumni office, looking at planned giving.

**Agenda**: Directors on School Staff reported on Admissions, Development and Marketing, with new Staff member Kathy Herbert presenting the latter topic.

The new NAIS-informed Scattergood Friends School fiscal reporting system was used to report cash on hand, as well as to model budget changes and projected expenditures for 2022 and 2023.

### Minutes:

Minute1: The open minutes from the School Committee meeting on November 13, 2021 were approved by email vote on January 25, 2022. There were no closed minutes on that date.

Minute2: The School Committee approved the reallocation of \$11,050.00 from the designated Gwen Shupe Fine Arts Award fund, with the original donor's permission, to the Quad Cities Community Foundation with the intention of starting the Gwen Shupe Fine Arts Award Endowed Fund.

The abbreviated SC meeting adjourned early to initiate the SC workshop on topics related to Diversity, Equity and Inclusivity (DEI), conducted by Chi Achebe. A new SC DEI Book Club will meet for the first time on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully, submitted, Laël Gatewood, Recording Clerk

Next meetings: March 19, May 6-7, July 26 (Tuesday of IYM/C)