Minutes of the Board of Directors of Einstein School Meeting Date: 1/24/2017, 5:15 p.m.

**Attended by:** Todd Livingston, Kat McGlone, (teacher), Natasha Livingston, Michelle McCauley, Christine Aurelio (principal) Amy Stevens (Parent Liason) Leslis Banis (The Amazing Give rep.)

- 1. Review and Sign: Attendees reviewed minutes from last Board Meeting held on November 9, 2016.
- 2. The Board listened to a presentation by Leslis Banis of the Community Foundation and Ms. Aurelio about the Amazing Give (March 29 and 30). Our website was shown. Board members are being asked to have a page on the website and promote it even more this year. It was suggested that we create a short "Thank You" video to post on website and email to donors when it is over.
- 3. School Improvement Plan/School Recognition Award \$-Ms. Aurelio explained that the school has been awarded \$10,605 by the Dept. of Ed. for raising our school improvement rating up to a "satisfactory" last school year. By Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> the money has to be allocated. One of the big issues in our School Improvement Plan is the retention of trained staff who often leave for better paying positions. Ms. Aurelio recommended that the money be used to pay bonuses to staff who were here during the 2015-16 school year; the year for which we are getting the award. She reported there was no equipment or programs on the market that the school really felt were needed and that the biggest asset is a well trained staff. The Board agreed.
- 5 New Business-
- 6 Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Next meeting will be as needed.

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