Academic Arts High School School Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 17, 2022 | 5:00 pm | Academic Arts High School Room 123 Participation Remotely Via Google Meet

Agenda

Board Members Present:

In-person: Josh MacLachlan Online:

Absent:

1. Call to Order:

a. Josh MacLachlan calls meeting to order at 5:01 pm

2. Conflict of Interest Check:

a. None to note

3. Approval of January 17, 2023 Agenda:

a. Josh motions to approve the January 17, 2023 agenda with the addition of items
9h, "board election results", and 10e, "recognition of resignation of Tenille
Warren". David Gunderman seconds.

b. Discussion:

- i. 9h, "board election results":
 - 1. Verified: All votes from voting members
 - 2. Tenille Warren: Re-elected community member with 5 votes
 - 3. Brenda Johnson: Elected community member with 6 votes
- ii. 10e, "recognition of resignation of Tenille Warren":
 - 1. Submitted resignation
- c. Motion passes with following votes:
 - i. David Gunderman Aye
 - ii. Christy Dickinson Aye
 - iii. Josh MacLachlan Aye
 - iv. Brenda Johnson Aye

4. Approval/Rejection of December 20, 2022 Minutes:

- a. Christy Dickinson motions to approve the December 20, 2022 minutes. Brenda Johnson seconds.
- b. Discussion:
 - i. Strike 5b ii commenter request removal
 - ii. Strike 5a v Not complete: remove
- c. Motion passes with following votes:
 - i. David Gunderman Aye
 - ii. Christy Dickinson Aye
 - iii. Josh MacLachlan Aye
 - iv. Brenda Johnson Aye

5. Public Comments:

- a. Amber Nelson
 - i. Interested in being on the board
 - ii. Graduate of River Heights Charter SChool (former name of AHA)

6. Financial Report: (Josh MacLachlan - Treasurer, Nate Winter - CLA)

a. Approval/Rejection of December 2022 financial report

i. Josh MacLachlan motions to approve the December 2022 financial report.

David Gunderman seconds.

- ii. Discussion:
 - 1. ADM
 - a. Current Approved Budget: 110
 - b. Current School Enrollment: 117
 - c. Current Average ADM: 107.57
 - d. Variance: -2

- Cash on hand at end of December: increase/decrease from prior month. Current fund balance at \$523422
- 3. 42% of the way through the year.
 - a. Revenues at 49% of budget.
 - b. Expenditures at 47% of budget
- 4. Items of importance:
 - a. Drivers' education expense came in in December
 - b. OW retreat expenses came in in December
 - c. All beginning balances are finalized with the audit report being presented at the December board meeting.
 - d. The final audit reports were submitted by the 12/31 deadline.
 - e. W2s & 1099s will be submitted to the IRS by the 1/31 deadline.
- iii. Motion passes with following votes:
 - 1. David Gunderman Aye
 - 2. Christy Dickinson Aye
 - 3. Josh MacLachlan Aye
 - 4. Brenda Johnson Aye

b. Approval of December 2022 disbursements

i. Josh MacLachlan motions to approve the December 2022 disbursements.

Brenda Johnson seconds.

- ii. Discussion:
 - 1. Questions about specific purchases
 - a. LA fitness purchase \rightarrow IEP funding

- b. Johnson fitness → FIN161 purchase for before/after school mental health programing
- iii. Motion passes with following votes:
 - 1. David Gunderman Aye
 - 2. Christy Dickinson Aye
 - 3. Josh MacLachlan Aye
 - 4. Brenda Johnson DROPPED CONNECTION

7. Ex Officio Report: (Danyelle Bennett & Davi Hicks)

- a. Introduction of new FY23 TPS members:
 - i. Davi Hicks (TPS Administrator)
 - ii. Angela Yoswa (Administrative Assistant)
- b. School events: UPDATE
 - i. February 22-24 trip to Wolf Ridge ELC
 - 1. Smaller group (10 students currently applied, 3 staff)
 - 2. Students complete application process before they are approved to

go on trip.

- a. Application
- b. Staff Sponsor
- c. Attend minimum of 2 planning meetings
- d. Academic/Behavioral expectations and contract
- 3. Brenda Johnson asks about staffing
 - a. Will there be enough staff?
 - i. Parents of students who are going will be contacted

directly about plan for trip

c. Committee Updates:

- i. Jay Squad: Continuing to work with Davi during transition
- ii. TPS: Scheduled update Meeting every other week on Fridays
- iii. Personnel:
 - 1. Social worker candidate interview scheduled for Thursday 1/19
- iv. Behavior:
 - Davi working with Pat to develop clearer and consistent behavior plan for school
 - a. Expectations have been unclear
 - b. Students are struggling with being held accountable.
 - c. Off campus lunch is being addressed in updated behavior systems
 - d. Students need structure
- v. Nutrition: Davi looking into an additional system for sending updates to parents via text
- vi. Marketing (Finance): See finance section
- vii. Enrollment (Finance): See finance section
- viii. Curriculum:
 - Daily schedule has classes that are too long. Need shorter and more classes.
 - a. Student Clubs:
 - i. Cooking, Theater, exercise, yearbook, plant, Pride, student council etc.
- ix. SpEd:
 - 1. Currently at ~45 students
 - 2. Davi noticing potential need for updates in:

- a. RTI system
- b. PBIS system
- x. DEI:
 - Assignments for staff encouraging forward movement in our own biases
 - 2. Davi: Intercultural Development Inventory

8. Student Data Report – Josh MacLachlan

- a. Academic Measures
- b. Environmental Education Measures
 - i. Review Journal Data from OW trip

9. Strategic Items:

- a. Updates on Reauthorization Evaluation from Authorizer
- b. Updates from "Community-Teacher Association"
- c. Board Training:
 - i. Updates on task force to plan board recruitment/training/retreat
 - ii. Training on statutory requirements of board oversight of school leader(s)
 - 1. Statute 124E
 - 2. Employment
 - 3. Davi's role in conducting formal evaluations for teachers
 - a. Danielson Framework:
 - i. Used to evaluate teachers
 - ii. Four domains
 - 1. Prep/Planning
 - 2. Professional Responsibilities
 - 3. Classroom Environment
 - 4. Instruction
 - 4. OW has a training coming up in February 7th on Zoom.
 - 5. How can board ensure we're addressing areas of deficiency through training? Other options that are available.
 - 6. Can the board meet in person to get to know each other.

- d. Review policies relevant to board oversight of school leader(s) (First Reading)
 - i. Reviewed current language that references "TPS committee". Updated language should, at minimum, replace "TPS committee" with "school administrator".
- e. Review dress code policy (First Reading)
- f. Review policies relevant to updates in school's behavior system (First Reading)
- g. Review walkout policy (Second Reading)
- Review of election results: See discussion in section 3:approval of January 17, 2023 agenda

10. Action Items:

- a. Approve/Reject background check policy (Tabled from December meeting)
 - i. Tabled to February meeting. No progress made since December.
- b. Approve/Reject/Table fund balance policy (Third Reading)
 - Josh MacLachlan Motions to Approve the Fund Balance Policy. Christy Dickinson Seconds
 - ii. Discussion: No further discussion
 - iii. Motion passes with following votes:
 - 1. Christy Dickinson
 - 2. David Gunderman
 - 3. Josh MacLahchlan
 - 4. Brenda Johnson
- c. Approve/Reject/Table land acknowledgement statement (Third Reading)
 - i. Tabled to February meeting. No further progress.
- d. Approve/Reject/Table seating of Amber Nelson
 - i. Josh MacLachlan Motions to approve seating of Amber Nelson to the board as a community member. Christy Dickinson seconds.
 - ii. Discussion:
 - 1. Excited to join!
 - 2. River heights graduate
 - a. Knew Bill Z (founder of school)
 - 3. Lot's of experience in life coaching
 - 4. Cognitive skills facilitator
 - 5. Race equity policy

- 6. Board Chair will verify nepotism policy and statute before seating at next meeting
- iii. Motion passes with following votes:
 - 1. Christy Dickinson
 - 2. David Gunderman
 - 3. Josh MacLahchlan
 - 4. Brenda Johnson

11. Adjourn:

a. Christy Dickinson motions to adjourn meeting at 7:16 pm