

American Renaissance School
Meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD)
Open meeting minutes
Wednesday, January 3, 2018
6PM

Dated Wednesday, January 3, 2018

ARS Mission:

To ensure a standard of academic excellence by providing a nurturing environment that allows each child to reach his/her fullest potential as students and citizens.

The Meeting was **Called to Order** at 6:10 PM by Sharon Bell

Board Members Present: Sharon Bell, Frank DiGangi, Kameron Brown, Tai McMiller, Ben Stikeleather, Marc Davis

Board Members Absent: Harriette Bailey, Michele Knapp, Jonathan Bell

Administrative Staff Present: Jim Duffey, Jessica Duncan, John Mairs, Andrea Leluika, Danielle Cusick

Administrative Staff Absent: n/a

Others in Attendance: n/a

1.Call to Order – Sharon Bell, Board Chairman

Jim informed the Board of an ARS family that recently had a house fire. He shared the support that has been/will be provided.

2.Public Comment – N/A

3.Adoption of Agenda

Ben Stikeleather moved to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Frank DiGangi. Motion passed.

4.Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the December meeting were not reviewed and approved. Minutes will be approved at the February meeting.

5.Recognitions

The Admin Team recognized Sarah Rogers and Brad Rashley for their hard work and dedication related to the holiday and end of year music events and concerts.

6.RAP

- Gearing up for Spring Gala/Golf Tournament (3/23/18)
 - Save the Date Cards will soon be distributed

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- Upcoming event at Great Wolf Lodge on 1/25.

Finance Report

Financial report submitted by Frank DiGangi

Tai McMiller made a motion to approve; seconded by Kam Brown. Motion passed.

Charter Renewal

Jim reminded the Board of the upcoming Charter Renewal Meeting. All board members are invited to the opening meeting of the visit. Members are asked to confirm attendance with Jim by the end of the week.

New Hire Recommendations

The staff recommended the following applicants to be hired for open positions:

Tina Durgin 3rd Grade

Dereck Baker 6th and 7th Grade Math

Frank DiGangi made a motion to approve; seconded by Kam Brown. Motion passed.

Committee Reports

Governance

Harriette Bailey will be working with the Committee to identify potential Board Members for upcoming openings. The initial step will be to reach out to past applicants to determine their interest.

Personnel

- No report

Development/Fundraising

- The staff reported on the implementation of FlipCause. This will assist with donation collection, processing, acknowledgement and tracking.
- Lowe's Grant has been put on hold and the grantors request. We should receive new information on applications soon.

Property and Facilities

- No report

School Reports

Jim Duffey: The Economic Impact Study process will resume following the completion of the Charter Renewal Site Visit; Jim shared the Performance Framework and Measures recently provided to the school. He has reached out to the Office of Charter Schools to

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clarify some of the data. The Workers Compensation Audit for the previous year has been completed successfully.

Andrea Leluika: NC Checkin Dates have been adjusted to the end of January due to the break and holidays.

Jessica Duncan: Jessica informed the Board of a new activity- Invention Convention. There will be a staff party at Statesville Country Club.

John Mairs: John gave an update on the current status of applications and 2018 openings. He also presented a website update for Alumni information. John updated the board on the implementation of the Virtual Library Card system presented last month.

Danielle Cusick: Danielle reported that Cohort 5 begins this week.

Kay Johnson: Kay informed the board of an upcoming EC Audit scheduled for February 3, 4, and 5. She will provide an update on the audit at the February Meeting

7.Board Chair Remarks

N/A

8.Closed Session (if needed)

Tai McMiller motioned to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel and property discussions related to lease negotiations; Seconded by Marc Davis. Motion Passed.

9.Next Meeting and Adjourn –

The next meeting of the board of directors will be on February 7, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the K-5 Building board room.

Frank DiGangi made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Tai McMiller. Motion passed.

A motion to approve these board minutes is made, seconded and passed.

Approved on:February 7, 2018 Signature of Officer: Harriette N. Bailey