



Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 10, 2018

7:00pm – 9:00pm

General Meeting – AVA Library

Opening Procedures:

7:00 – 7:10pm

- Call to order
 - Board Attendees: Casten, Nye, Rogers, Ruckert, Patton, Hybarger, Schroeder**
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Recitation of AVA's mission & vision
- Review & approve agenda
 - *Motion to amend agenda to **Add election and open seat appointment***
Nye motion to amend agenda. Rogers second. Unanimous approval.
Schroeder motion to amend agenda to approve excess funds to be swept into interest bearing accounts. Rogers second. Unanimous approval.
- Consent agenda
 - Approve April Board meeting minutes
Nye motion to approve agenda. Casten second. Unanimous approval.
- Public comment 7:10 – 7:25pm
 - None**
- Administrative updates 7:25 – 8:00pm
 - May Dashboard
A possible expense for a grease trap is still a possibility because of Plum Creek Water requirements. For the 2018-19 school year, we've worked out an agreement with the District to handle the dish cleaning responsibilities off-site which will save the school from having to incur a \$97k expense, for now.

The school will be moving to Saxon Math for the 2018-19 school year. The official cost has not been determined yet, but the administration and the Board feel strongly that this curriculum will provide better instruction and prepare our students for education beyond AVA.
 - 2018-19 enrollment updates
Enrollment numbers are looking good. Overall projects are just slightly above budgeted figures. Middle school numbers are still below historical figures, but are trending upward and should be closer to capacity over the next couple of years.
 - Personnel update
5 individuals will not be returning to AVA next year for various reasons. Some of these positions have been filled and some are still in the process of being filled.
 - DC/NYC 8th grade trip
Overall the trip was a resounding success with the students having the opportunity to experience various educational sites around Washington, D.C. and New York City.



- Building addition/modification update

The school is seeking bids for modifications to some offices/classrooms that would allow for additional instructional space, including pre-K space that would feed into Kindergarten. This will be reevaluated again once bids are received.

- Security update

- *Review of Officer West's walkthrough*

Officer West performed a walkthrough of the school and had a few recommendations:

- Enhance room descriptions from outside
- Update bids for exit door monitors
- Secondary locks for the classrooms – two different options – neither is expensive per door

Overall, Officer West feels the school is safe but we can still do adjustments throughout the year to continue enhancing the safety of our campus.

The front-entry security is still being evaluated and we'll continue to look at various options that are available.

Security camera options are still on the table. A limited scale option is around \$58k, with more expensive options in excess of \$100k also available. The Board discussed the options at length and determined implementing a first phase would be beneficial – this is the \$58k option that will add 60 security cameras to the AVA campus.

Nye motion to approve the \$58k expenditure for security cameras out of the general fund. Rogers second. Unanimous approval.

- Finance Committee update

8:00 - 8:15pm

Troy Schroeder reported on the recent Finance Committee meeting. The budget was reviewed and there are no surprises. The state legislature is planning to increase the per pupil funding amount, which is above what we had budgeted for the 2018-19 school year. There will be discussion at future Board meetings of where/how to deploy any additional funds that are received.

The school hired a new Health Insurance Broker to handle the 7/1/18 benefits renewal and those discussions are promising so far with no major surprises in pricing anticipated.

Investment options were discussed with our banking partner to see how excess funds could be invested to help earn income that is not currently being realized. Going forward, excess funds over and above amounts that are required of schools to be maintained in non-invested accounts, will be swept into interest bearing accounts to generate income for AVA.

Schroeder motion to approve allowing excess funds to be invested. Patton second. Unanimous approval.

- Board Reports & Discussion

8:25 – 8:45pm

- Uniform policy - 2nd read

Nye motion to approve. Casten second. Unanimous approval.

- Foundation updates

Roughly 70 golfers are signed up for the May 11th golf tournament.

- Election and open seat appointment

Rogers motion to appoint Jonathan Nye to existing seat #4 for a term through May 1, 2021. Casten second. Unanimous approval.



- Executive session (§24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters; 8:45pm
Nye motion to enter executive session at 8:06pm. Hybarger second. Unanimous approval. The purpose of the session is to discuss staff survey results.
Nye motions to come out of executive session at 8:40pm. Rogers second. Unanimous approval.
- Adjourn 9:00pm
Patton motion to adjourn. Casten second. Unanimous approval.

Mission: Aspen View Academy will succeed through academic excellence in a challenging and stimulating learning environment that emphasizes math, technology and language arts, enabling our students to become critical thinkers, responsible citizens, strong community members and future leaders.

Vision: We recognize that an education is incomplete without fostering the arts, sports, nature, and character. Together, with our students, faculty, parents and community, we will develop civic and personal responsibility, intellectual passion and differentiated instruction in a safe, orderly, balanced and nurturing environment.

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Public Comment: The Aspen View Academy Board works for the students, parents and patrons of Aspen View Academy in promoting the vision and mission of the school. Community input that can help the Board meet the challenge of educating our children to our high standards is always welcome. Thus, the Board welcomes comments from members of the public during the public comment time set aside on the agenda on any topic. Since we believe it is important for our community to have agenda topics ahead of time, the Board will rarely respond to public comments during this open forum. The Board will only take action on items listed on the agenda. For other matters, the Board will receive comments only, and may, at its discretion, refer the matter or calendar the issue for future discussion.