



Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 18, 2019 – 7:00pm

General Meeting – Library
Call-in number (listen-only) [206-800-4634](tel:206-800-4634)
Participant Code: 813-94-365#

Opening Procedures:

7:00 – 7:05pm

- Call to order
 - **Nye, Schroeder, Ruekert, Casten, and Hybarger present.**
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Recitation of AVA's mission & vision
- Review & approve agenda
 - **Nye motion to approval the agenda with the removal of the policy committee update since that chair of that committee is not present. Ruekert second. Unanimous approval.**
 - **Nye motion to revise the 2018-19 audit verbiage to reflect 2017-18 audit instead. Nye second. Unanimous approval.**
- Consent agenda
 - Approve March board meeting minutes
 - **Hybarger to approve the March Board meeting minutes. Casten second. Unanimous approval.**
- Public comment
 - **One public comment regarding interest from Shari Allen in the open Board seat.**
- Administrative updates
 - April dashboard
 - **Principal Barber and Jonathan presented to the Douglas County Board of Education regarding district AVA's approval expansion application to Celestial Avenue. After extensive Q&A session & discussion with Principal Barber answering questions from most of the Board members, the Board voted 6-1 to approve AVA's expansion application. Thank you to Principal Barber, his staff and all involved for their tireless effort and energy expended in our expansion application**
 - Staffing update
 - **Principal Barber is looking for some sort of guidance from the Board whether to convert kindergarten to be completely full day or keep the half day option. The Board's feedback is that it's an operational decision for Principal Barber to make and the Board is supportive of what he decides is best for the school and the students. Currently, middle school teachers have two planning sessions but the elementary teachers do not. Next year, the elementary grades will have an extra STEAM special which will afford K-5 teachers more time to plan, grade, etc and keep from having to take work home. This will translate into equal planning session time for all teachers.**



For 19-20 school year, Principal Barber is proposing AP positions for the grade groups of K-2, 3-5, 6-8 which will allow for ensuring follow-through on procedures, policies, curriculum delivery, etc at all grade levels. This structure will require one new staff member, and the remaining liaison positions can be filled with current staff.

- Legislative update
Kindergarten will be fully funded by the state – school year still to be determined (2019/20 vs 2020/21).
- 2019-2020 Budget - review & action
The proposed budget, as with last year's budget, is using realistic (but conservative) figures with respect to both revenue and expenses. The 2019-20 budget still estimates a net income of \$80,000 at the end of the year, but with conservative figures being used, will hopefully come in higher.
Schroeder motion to approve the 2019-20 preliminary budget to reflect the 3% TABOR calculation as well as the internal budget reserve. Nye second. Unanimous approval.
- Board Reports, discussion, updates & actions 8:00 – 8:45pm
 - Committees:
 - Finance Committee
 - 2017-18 audit - review & action
At the March Committee meeting, the committee met with Uli (the auditor). There were no audit adjustments. There were four recommendations though:
 2. Roll of capital assets should be performed annually.
 3. Reconcile the district's PPR records with Aspen View Academy's.
 4. Unpaid fees at the end of the year need to be reviewed and decisions need to be made regarding collection vs. write-off decision.
 5. Handful of receipts were missing from credit card receipts. A recommendation was made to revisit the Finance policy around collecting credit card receipts.
Schroeder motions to approve the unqualified audit opinion for the 2017-18. Casten second. Unanimous approval.
 - PTO
 - Ryan reviewed the information we talked about wanting from PTO
 - Recap of events/fundraisers
 - Recommending moving forward with two co-chairs which will require revisiting bylaws and approval from BOD; Ryan targeting meeting PTO Chair soon and target 1st read in May for 2nd read in June
 - SAC Committee
The last two SAC committee meetings have not occurred due to the winter event in March and the school closing on April 16th due to safety concerns.
 - Uniform Committee
 - 1st read Uniform Policy



There was discussion around changing the wording to be less specific and more focused on allowing administration to make decisions based on their professional judgment.

- Election Committee
Open Board seat Q&A session has been rescheduled for Monday, April 22nd.
- ~~Policy Committee~~
- Building Committee update
 - Celestial Ave. & BOE update
The Apex bondholder has been alerted to the approval by the District of AVA's expansion request. The next step will be to engage in discussions regarding the terms/conditions of a potential agreement with the bondholder, and then the Board will vote on whether to officially move forward with the expansion or not.
- Board Strategic planning
 - Committee goals formulation
Each committee needs to develop 2 or 3 goals for each committee, and what do we want to hold each committee accountable for and report back to the Board on. The May Board meeting working session will be used to outline these goals.
- Executive session: 8:45 – 9:00pm
9:53pm - Nye motion to enter executive session. Hybarger second. Unanimous approval.
 - (§24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters
 - (§24-6-402(4)(a) the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer or sale of any real property interest & 4(e), C.R.S.) determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators
 - Board action(s) – *if applicable*
10:31pm Nye motioned to exit executive session, Schroeder 2nd, Unanimous approval
- Adjourn 9:00pm
Nye motions to adjourn. Casten second. Unanimous approval.