



Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 9, 2020 – 7:00pm

General Meeting – REMOTE / ONLINE
Call-in number (listen-only) 206-800-4634
Participant Code: 821 237 55#

Opening Procedures:

7:00pm

- Call to order
 - **Attendees: Patton, Nye, Hybarger, Ruekert, Casten, Allen, Schroeder**
- Pledge of Allegiance
 - Recitation of AVA's mission & vision
- Review & approve agenda
 - **Nye motion to approve the agenda as written. Ruekert second. Approved 7 – 0.**
- Consent agenda
 - Approve March board meeting minutes
 - **Nye motion to approve the consent agenda. Ruekert second. Approved 7 – 0.**
- Public comment
 - **None**
- Administrative updates
 - April dashboard
 - **Open enrollment is currently open and AVA continues to enroll students for the 2020-2021 SY**
 - **Remote learning has been going well. The Staff has done a great job of showing grace as everyone involved is learning how to navigate through this new learning method.**
 - **The financial impact of COVID-19 has had some impacts to school finances. Learning opportunities exist for PreK, but AVA has offered refunds to families who would like a refund. 68% of the families have chosen to remain engaged with learning and will remain enrolled through the end of the school year.**
 - **PPR will be affected for the upcoming school year, as budgets are expected to be impacted at the state level. A best-case scenario is for PPR to remain flat, but other scenarios could range from a 3 to 10% decrease.**
 - **CDE has granted waivers for instructional hours and days, as long as AVA shows good faith effort in delivering and ensuring curriculum delivery. This translate into no anticipation of the school year extending into the summer.**
 - **AVA administration is obtaining guidance from the District for EOY supplies/materials/belongings pick-up. More to come and communication will be sent out to the AVA community.**
- Board Report, discussion, updates & actions
 - Pay for hourly staff discussion & action
 - **In anticipation of a potential school shutdown following spring break due to COVID-19, at the March board meeting, the board approved extending pay for hourly employees through April 10th.**

7:05 – 7:15pm

7:15 – 8:00pm

8:00 – 8:45pm

- At Principal Barber & the Finance Committee’s recommendation, the Board discussed extending through the end of hourly employee’s full agreement (end of June)
 - Nye recommended a Board vote considering the unique nature of the situation
 - Nye motion to approve the continuation of hourly staff for their agreement period through the end of June 2020. Schroeder second. Approved 7 – 0.
 - Election Committee update
 - Aaron Ellsworth is the only parent/community member to submit a nomination form and obtain the necessary signatures for the open Board seat be available on May 1, 2020
 - An early welcome to Aaron; election results and actions will take place at the May board meeting
 - Building Committee update
 - New construction design documents and budget were received last week. Discussion around potential PPR cuts and how those might impact the expansion plans being considered.
 - Eric Patton spoke on behalf of the Finance Committee and recommended the school put a pause on moving forward with construction activities at this time especially given the uncertainty in credit markets right now.
 - AVA will need to confirm PPR for loan or bond qualification
 - There was consensus amongst the board to continue to move forward with architect and obtaining construction documents, so as not to delay the expansion once PPR is clarified & loan/bond options open up.
 - Finance Committee
 - See above. The Finance Committee’s recent discussion is captured in Principal Barber’s April dashboard, as well as the Building Committee update.
 - The school does maintain a strong fund balance; but will be approaching SY2020-21 with caution
 - School Accountability Committee
 - Annual survey
 - Aaron Ellsworth spoke on behalf of the SAC committee. The committee has not met in person due to COVID concerns and limitations. A remote meeting will be scheduled soon.
 - The Board agreed to move forward with sending out the annual parent survey to provide the opportunity for feedback/ suggestions for the upcoming SY
 - Staff survey discussion
 - The staff survey will be going out to all AVA staff within the week and will include additional time to complete the survey.
 - Board snippets wrap-up
 - Continuation of hourly pay through the end of June 2020.
 - Remote learning.
 - PPR funding for 2020-21 is unknown; building expansion will be put on hold until there is clarity around what the amount will be for the upcoming school year.
- Executive session: 8:45 –
 - (§24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters
 - Nye motion to enter executive session at 7:59pm. Allen second. Approved 7 – 0.
 - At 8:05pm, Nye motion to exit executive session. Patton second.
 - Approved 7 – 0.



- Adjourn
 - **Nye motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:06pm. Ruekert second. Approved 7 – 0**

Our 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.

Our 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.

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.