**American Heritage Charter School**

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

May 1st, 2014

Time: 6:37pm

**Roll Call:**

**Board of Directors**

Chairperson Debra Infanger

Vice Chairman Trent VanderSloot

Secretary Sara Schofield

Director Tappia Infanger

Director Tony Lima

Parent Rep Valerie Horlacher

**Others in Attendance:**

Vice Principal Logan Waetje

Vice Principal Tiffnee Hurst

Business Manager Angela Lords

**Agenda:**

Motion was made by Director Tappia Infanger and seconded by Parent Rep. Valerie Horlacher to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Parent Rep. Valerie Horlacher and seconded by Director Tappia Infanger to approve the minutes of the meeting held on April 3rd, 2014. Motion carried

**PFA Report:**

*Tappia Infanger*

1. Parent Teacher Conferences were held this past week and were a success.
2. The Scholastic Book Fair was well received by our parents and students. The school brought in about $1200.00
3. The wax museum was held this past week with the middle school students and they did an amazing job. The creativity of the students was so fun to see.
4. AHCS will have a lego club in the fall. Middle school students Gabe Wenstrom and Emmett Couch presented power point and ideas to the board.

**Chairperson Report:**

*Good of the Order*

Deby Infanger announced that the permanent building would be coming but due to the late date we will be bringing in a modular until the building can be completed.

**Patron Comments:**

Mrs. Swanson expresses her concerns of the recent teacher and administrative releases by the board.

Mrs. Anderson presents a petition signed by the students regarding their support of Mrs. Richardson to the board. She suggested a meeting for the high school students and families with the board so they may be educated on the direction this school will take for the high school to come.

Chris Cantero expresses his support of Mr. Richardson and Dr. Harris, and his concern that they are no longer here to lead the students.

Mrs. Cantero also expresses her commitment to Mr. Richardson and her concerns that the students are confused and concerned for their experience without him to lead them.

Mrs. Wicklund shared a letter that she has written in support of Mr. Richardson.

Mrs. Lee presents another petition of approval from the students in behalf of Mr. Richardson to the board.

**Admin Report: Gayle DeSmet/Tiffnee Hurst/Logan Waetje**

Mr. Waetje reports that they are halfway through the SBAC testing and things are running smoothly.

Mrs. Hurst reports that the teachers are completing their portfolios for the students and they are doing a very good job. Interviews for open teacher positions are going well and should be complete within the week. A survey was sent out to the parents looking for feedback of their experience here at AHCS, more details to come once completed.

**New Business:**

1. **Board Emails**—In order to have parents communicate to the board Mrs. Lords requested the preference of each board member whether they would like to have a school email or use their personal email given out to parents. Mike Infanger and Trent VanderSloot would like to have a school email, the remainder of the board would like to use their personal email addresses.
2. **PFA Bylaws**—PFA President Tappia Infanger presents the bylaws to the board for approval. Motion is made by Parent Representative Valerie Horlacher and seconded by Vice Chairman Trent VanderSloot to approve and adopt the PFA bylaws as presented to the board. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **School Premise Security**—Parent Representative Valerie Horlacher expresses her concern about the safety of the students here in the country without a means of protection. The suggestion of a concealed weapons permit of an employee to be able to carry that firearm here at the school in case of emergency was raised. Chariperson Deby Infanger will consult with the school attorney for further details.

**Old Business:**

1. **Positive Time Reporting and Title I Parent Involvement Policies-2nd Reading--**

Motion was made by Director Tappia Infanger and seconded by Parent Representative Valerie Horlacher to accept and adopt the two policies as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

1. **2014-2015 School Calendar—**Chairperson Deby Infanger presents two calendars to the board. The only difference in the two calendars is one shows the dates if the school would like to use semesters, and one with trimesters. Motion was made by Parent Representative Valerie Horlacher and seconded by Tony Lima to accept the calendar as provided. More details will be needed to decide whether to adopt semester or trimester schedule. But the basic calendar will be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financials:**

Motion was made by Director Tony Lima and seconded by Secretary Sara Schofield to pay the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

**Executive Session: IC 67-2345 (b)**

Motion was made by Director Tappia Infanger and seconded by Parent Rep. Valerie Horlacher to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of New Teacher Hire Recommendations

Motion was made by Board Treasurer Mike Infanger and seconded by Board Vice Chairperson Trent VanderSloot to move out of Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Board Vice Chairperson Trent VanderSloot and seconded by Board Treasurer Mike Infanger to accept the New Teacher Hire Recommendations. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

Motion was made by Parent Representative Valerie Horlacher and seconded by Director Tappia Infanger to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

10:17pm

**Respectfully submitted,**  **Approved,**

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Angela Lords Deby Infanger

Business Manager Board Chairperson