

American Heritage Charter School
Minutes of Annual Board Meeting
October 3, 2019

6:33 pm

Roll Call

<p>Board of Directors: Chairperson Deby Infanger Vice Chair Trent VanderSloot Director Sara Schofield Director Chris Schofield Director Tappia Infanger Director Mike Infanger</p> <p>Others in Attendance: Executive Director Jim Dalton Shawn Rose, Secondary Principal Tiffnee Hurst, Elementary Principal</p>	<p>Not in Attendance: Director Kayce Wegener</p>
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Pledge of Allegiance

Led by a student.

Agenda

Vice Chair Trent VanderSloot moved to amend and approve the agenda as posted. Director Tappia Infanger seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Special Orders

None.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Deby Infanger asked the Board to review the minutes. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Director Sara Schofield seconded the motion. There was no objection and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Approval of Accounts Payable, Payroll, and Claims

Jim Dalton reviewed the list and noted unusual or one-time expenses, including payment of the Stipends under the Federal Expansion Grant to the Project Director, Jim Dalton, Grant Administrator Tiffnee Hurst, and Mr. Rose as the Advanced Opportunity Director and Mastery Teacher Lead. He noted a number of larger expenditures under the Title IV and Federal Expansion Grant programs, which needed to be obligated or expended by 9/30/2019. Director Sara Schofield moved to approve the expenditures. Director Chris Schofield seconded the motion. The motion carried, with Directors Infanger abstaining.

Executive Session

None. The teacher and student requested to appear did not appear.

Action from Executive Session

None.

Reports

Chairman Infanger mentioned having special meetings to discuss the gym/multi-purpose facility.

No Student council report.

Mrs. Hurst reported for the PFA, including on the successful Walk-a-thon, the Book Fair coming the week of 10/7 to 10/11, with Grandparents' lunch next week. The Carnival will be coming on October 25th.

Mrs. Hurst turned time over to Mrs. Wright to discuss a DECA fundraiser involving her separate beef business. For DECA help in marketing her beef, she'll donate a portion of the profits to DECA. Mr. Simms has been working with her. The Board approved the fundraiser, acknowledge and approved the conflict of interest with Mrs. Wright, noting that she is not on the board. Director Tappia Infanger abstained.

Mrs. Hurst then reported. Her written report is appended to the minutes. Vice Chair VanderSloot inquired about the student and parent feedback, noting that the Patriotic focus, school uniforms, and small class sizes are very popular among our parents. Mr. Dalton noted that anonymous surveys about lottery applicants shows similar feedback.

Mrs. Hurst discussed state Literacy Funding. The state has provided more resources for reading programs for students who are basic or below on the IRI. AHCS has hired Heidi Cook to be the literacy paraprofessional for the last year. But, Governor Little has doubled the funding for the program, because Literacy is a priority for his administration. Mrs. Hurst proposed 2 options: (1) to hire a second paraprofessional to push into the classroom in K-3, which would allow us to focus more attention on the struggling students, or (2) provide an afterschool program for students for 2 hours per week, paying teachers \$25/hour (up to 4 teachers). Start end of October through May, twice per week. It would be a voluntary after school program, no transportation, and by invitation.

Mrs. Hurst reported that 38% of the K-3 students scored a 2 or 3.

Mr. Rose discussed the Civics Test and ways of implementing it. Vice Chair VanderSloot preferred having the kids take all 100 questions. Chairman Infanger agreed. Mr. Rose reported that he would take the feedback and return with a proposal.

Mr. Rose discussed the expeditionary electives. The Board asked for a preview of the Spring electives.

Director Chris Schofield asked about the exit on the north side of the property and the need for a little additional pavement.

New Business

Literacy Plan and Title Aid Training & Plan (Hurst)

Mrs. Hurst presented the Board with training materials and an overview of the School Literacy Plan. Director Mike Infanger moved to approve use of literacy funds for an afterschool reading club/academy, with authority to Mrs. Hurst to change to hire another aid to push-in, if participation in the afterschool program is not strong. Director Chris Schofield seconded the motion. Vice Chair VanderSloot asked questions about the number of students needing help. The motion carried unanimously.

Field Trips (Hurst)

Director Chris Schofield moved to approve the Kindergarten Field trip to the Corn Maze (at no charge to the school). Vice Chair Trent VanderSloot seconded the motion.

Fundraiser (Rose)

Director Mike Infanger moved to approve the DECA Beef fundraiser. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. Director Tappia Infanger abstained. The motion carried.

Civics Test (Rose)

Mr. Rose presented on the implementation of the civics test, in the same form as INS administers it: 10 random questions out of the 100 possible. INS requires 6 out of 10. AHCS would require 8 out of 10.

Overnight Field Trip Policy (Rose)

Revised copy was circulated, to be revisited next month.

Art Show (Rose)

Adjournment

Director Mike Infanger moved to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Director Chris Schofield seconded the motion. There was a unanimous chorus of AYES, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

/s/James R. Dalton

James R. Dalton
Board Executive Director