American Heritage Charter School

Regular Board Meeting May 11, 2023

6:30 pm via Zoom during COVID-19 Quarantine

Roll Call

Board of Directors: Chairperson Deby Infanger Director Mike Infanger Director Tappia Infanger Director Eliza Ruys Director Cheri Lima	Not in Attendance: Vice Chair Trent VanderSloot Mr. Jim Dalton, Board Executive Director
Others in Attendance: Dr. Tiffnee Hurst, Head Administrator Mr. Rose-Secondary Administrator Angela Lords, Business Manager Others participating by Zoom	

Pledge of Allegiance

Dispensed due to virtual meeting.

Agenda

Director Tappia Infanger moved to amend the agenda to include new hires in our new business category. Director Eliza Ruys seconded that motion. The motion was approved 5-0 on a roll call vote.

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Special Orders

Chairperson Deby Infanger reported that concrete will be poured on Saturday.

Consent Agenda

Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the consent agenda as provided. Director Eliza Ruys seconded that motion. The motion was approved 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Administrative, PFA, and Student Reports and Recommendations

Elementary Update

• We have had a few staff members who have given their notice they will not be back next year. These include:

Elizabeth McFadden- Orchestra

Annika Copeland- 5th Grade

Missy Hyde- Outside Duty

• We have hired a few new staff members. These include:

John Peskey- Orchestra (The board approved him in the meeting last week.)

Leigh DeHart- 5th Grade (The board will need to approve of this hire.)

We have not filled the outside duty position yet. We will need to look for someone who would like to be outside to oversee the children.

- Our Patriotic Program was wonderful this past month. Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Hallenbeck did a terrific job of preparing the children for this program. The children sounded wonderful and did a great job of show casing the patriotic songs they learned throughout the school year.
- Here are some activities that are coming up at AHCS over the next few weeks: Spelling Bee- May 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the gymnasium End of the Year Celebration- May 25, 2023, beginning at 11:00 a.m.
 - 1. BBQ including hot dogs and hamburgers
 - 2. Jump Houses
 - 3. Mechanical Bull
 - 4. Cotton Candy
 - 5. Snow Cones
 - 6. Activities
 - 7. End of the Year Awards Assembly- May 25, 2023, beginning at 9:00 a.m.
 - 8. Field Trips for various grade levels throughout the next two weeks
 - 9. Rendezvous for 4th and 5th grade on May 17, 2023
 - a) Stations they will rotate through
 - b) Mountain Man
 - c) Native American Dancers
 - d) Dutch Oven Lunch
 - A big thank you to the Simms for planning this activity for our students.
- As some of you may know we will be going back to ADA (Average Daily Attendance) for funding this coming school year. It will be important that we inform our parents that their child's attendance will again affect the amount of money the school receives. With this change, at the board meeting, we will talk about looking at changing our current school calendar. Here are some talking points for tonight:
 - 1. I would like to suggest that K-3 students do not have virtual Fridays. They can get enough seat time hours in M-TH without having to do virtual work on Friday. We have noticed we do

- have quite a few students who do not do the Friday work at this level and it would affect our funding.
- 2. I would like to suggest that 4-5th grade do Virtual Fridays twice a month (The first and third Friday). This will provide them with enough seat time hours for the year.
- 3. We have talked about 6th-12th grade keeping the virtual Fridays. The high school needs virtual Fridays to have enough seat time.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the suggestions for the days next year.

- A few other changes you may like to know that came from the legislature session include:
 - 1. Students will now have to have 5 Social Studies credits- 1 of those credits will have to be Financial Literacy.
 - 2. Students in either 7-8 grade will need a Career Exploration course aligned to the 'first steps' standards.
 - 3. Parental Right Bill had changes made to it which included provisions to protect the parents' rights to know information about their children.
 - 4. Public Silent Prayer needs to be allowed
 - 5. In God We Trust-If someone gives us an In God We Trust display and we do not currently have one, we must post it.
 - 6. Idaho has a new state dinosaur. It is the Oryctodromeus.
- We have been busy ISAT and Istation Testing. As soon as we have our number in, we will update the board on how we did in these areas.

Secondary Update

Mr. Rose requests approval for the following field trips:

- Senior/Staff dinner May 22nd at 6pm Riverbend Ranch. Invitation attached.
- Graduation May 23rd at 6pm Riverbend Ranch
- End of year celebration All secondary students will be celebrating the end of the year with a bowling and yearbook signing party. It will be May 24th from 11-2pm at homestead bowling and here at AHCS. We are currently trying to raise \$500 through donations to pay for it.
- **Electives** We are in the middle of electives for spring. So far they are going well. There are alot of great things happening.
- I will propose new electives for next year in the June board meeting.
 - 1. **Athletics -** I have been working with the local conference within A1D2 to become a member. This is under the umbrella of IHSAA, but we have to be accepted. Things are looking good to play full schedules and participate in post season play. I have scheduled several games for boys and girls basketball already.

- Our current sports schedule for 23-24 is:
 - 1. HS Volleyball
 - 2. MS Cross Country
 - 3. HS Girls and Boys Basketball
 - 4. MS Boys and Girls Basketball
 - 5. HS Boys and Girls Golf
 - 6. MS Co-ed Volleyball

These are subject to change depending upon interest and need.

• **Summer training -** All but two secondary staff members will attend Summit Learning summer training this year. This is a week-long training in Chicago on basics of Summit Learning, updates to the platform, curriculum development (how to tailor curriculum to meet our needs), and a new math initiative.

Executive Session

No Executive Session was held.

Action Items from Executive Session

Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the rehire list, Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

New Business

- A. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the 2023-2024 calendar as proposed, Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.
- B. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the 2023-2024 salary schedule, Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.
- C. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the copier purchase, and front door security as proposed, Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.
- D. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the Point S Husqvarna 54" mower and the side by side with the blade to be able to take care of your sidewalk snow removal and summer landscaping, , Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

E. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the new hires as presented to the board. Leigh DeHart-5th grade teacher, Hillary Congdon-7th grade teacher and Jenna Layton as a flex teacher. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

Old Business

A. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve policies 3400, 3400F, 3410, 3420, 3430, 3440, 3450, 3450F, 3460, 3505, 3505F1 and 3505F2. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. The motion was approved 5-0 on a roll call vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Mike Infanger to adjourn at 7:34 pm. Director Tappia Infanger seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Lords Board Clerk