American Heritage Charter School

Regular Board Meeting July 10, 2025

4:00 pm via Zoom

Roll Call

Board of Directors:	Not in Attendance:
Chairperson Deby Infanger	Vice Chairman Trent VanderSloot
Director Mike Infanger	Director Eliza Ruys
Director Tappia Infanger	Director Cheri Lima
	Dr. Hurst Superintendent
Others in Attendance:	Mr. Rose-9-12 Administrator
Angela Lords, Business Manager	Mrs. Harris-4-8 Administrator
Others participating by Zoom	Mr. Jim Dalton, Board Executive Director

Pledge of Allegiance

Dispensed due to virtual meeting.

Agenda

Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the agenda as presented to the board. Director Mike Infanger seconded that motion. The motion was approved 3-0 on a roll call vote.

Special Orders

No special orders

Consent Agenda

Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the consent agenda as presented to the board. Director Mike Infanger seconded that motion. The motion was approved 3-0 on a roll call vote.

Administrative, PFA, and Student Reports and Recommendations

Elementary Update:

Dr. Hurst reported on the following for the elementary:

<u>Professional Development Training for August</u>

The following Professional Development has been scheduled for August.

- Great Expectations- The GE Company will send a training to provide PD to all new teachers
 and paraprofessionals who work with the students. This training teaches about how to
 develop a school culture where students thrive.
- PLC Training- Solution Tree will be coming in and talking to our staff about the importance
 of our mission and knowing where we want to get our students to with their education, and
 how we are going to help them reach their goals.
- CKLA Training- We did purchase the 3rd Edition of CKLA. It required us to have them come in and train our staff. They will send 3 trainers. One will focus on K-2, one will focus on 3-5, and one will focus on 6-8.
- Shurley English- A trainer will be coming in from Shurley English to help prepare or refresh our teachers in grades 1 -12 grade how to teach Shurley English.

New State High School Requirements

- There are always changes that need to be made after the legislative session each year. I am attaching a sheet that describes some of the changes that were made to the requirements for high school students. Here is a quick rundown as well:
 - 1. Students will need a 1-credit Digital Literacy credit to graduate. This class will focus on fundamental computer science, including algorithms, coding, AI, cybersecurity, internet safety, and social media best practices.
 - 2. The 1-credit communication course will still be required. They talked about doing away with this requirement, but it will stay.
 - 3. Four (4) of the six (6) credits required are from at least two (2) of the four (4) content areas: physics, chemistry, earth, space, or life science. An additional two (2) credits in secondary science may include instruction in applied sciences, physics, chemistry, earth and space sciences, life science, engineering, or computer science.
 - 4. Humanities will have a name change to Fine Arts or World Languages
 - 5. Credit Flexibility: LEA may award credit for learning opportunities in ways that meet course requirements for high school graduation.
 - 6. Future Readiness Project: All students must complete a future readiness project by the end of 12 grade (Senior Business Project)
 - 7. Localized Pathways: We will be required to develop and publicly post two or more localized pathways (college, CTE, military service).

Personnel Updates

We have had some changes in personnel that we would like to the board to be aware about and to approve.

Brittney Wright has given her resignation letter. She was offered an opportunity to work with the SDE for the SMART reading project here in Region 6. We wish her the best in all that she does.

We have hired the following new individuals: Katie Hadley- Kindergarten Paraprofessional Abigail Brumpton- 1st Grade Paraprofessional Paris Miller- Paraprofessional Abby Hunt- Paraprofessional Melissa Bristol- Paraprofessional

We are still looking to fill the outside duty position and a few more paraprofessionals to help at the middle and high school levels.

PFA Update

I am excited to announce that with the board's approval, Nicole Wilcox will be our PFA President for the 2025-2026 school year. There will be a President Elect, Beth Taylor, who will help out Nicole Wilcox. We will hold a PFA meeting with the President and President-Elect on July 22, 2025.

Before School Clubs

Tracie Peterson would like to add to her before-school clubs that she offers. She feels this will help those students who need a place to go when parents have to drop them off a little early. I have attached her flyer she would like to send out about the clubs. She would like to do a Gaming Club on Mondays, an Elementary Choir on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and a Storyteller's Club on Wednesdays.

Student, Parent, and Staff Handbooks

I would like to thank Mr. Rose, Mrs. Harris, and Mrs. Simms for updating their Student Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year. I have attached them to this email so you can read through them for approval of the handbooks on Thursday. We would like to get them approved so we can have them ready for registration in August. The Staff handbook has also been revised and needs approval from the board.

High School Of Business Adoption

We are excited to have Logan Waetje back at AHCS as our Business Teacher. He did ask if we could get the High School of Business Curriculum for him to use. We held a curriculum adoption meeting with a committee and decided to purchase it for him to use at the high school level. We appreciate his willingness to attend the training this summer so he can use the curriculum as soon as school begins.

Core Knowledge Training

Tonya Simms and I had the opportunity to go to the Core Knowledge Training. I loved the experience, and one of the best things I heard was the Panel Discussion they had during the conference. The Ministers of Education from England, Northern Ireland, and New Zealand were there as well as ED Hirsch, Jr. They discussed how their countries' schools were tanking, and then they read the book by ED Hirsch, Jr, and went back and made changes and their scores are going back up again. They all talked about the importance of knowledge-based learning compared to competency based. It was great to hear all three of these Ministers support the Core Knowledge Philosophy of Education.

Mrs. Harris was not present, no report was given.

Mr. Rose was not present, no report was given.

Board Elections

- **A.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to reappoint Mike Infanger for another term. Chairperson Deby Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **B.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to reappoint all officers to their current offices. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **C.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to appoint Nicole Wilcox as the new PFA President and appoint her to the PFA seat on the board of directors. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.

New Business

- **A.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to appoint Dr. Tiffnee Hurst as our Federal Programs contact for the SDE. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **B.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to authorize our school lunch program. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **C.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve our 25-26 board meeting schedule and posting sites as presented. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **D.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve our 25-26 regular monthly vendors as presented. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **E.** The first reading for policies 7200, 7225, 7230, 7235, 7235F1, 7235F2, 7235F3, 7235P, 7235PF1, 7235PF2, 7237, 7240, 7240B and 7240P was completed.
- **F.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to accept the resignation of Brittney Wright and the new hires of Katie Hadley, Abilgail Brumpton, Abby Hunt, Paris Miller and Melissa Bristol as new paraprofessionals for the upcoming school year. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.
- **G.** Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve Tracie Petersons before school clubs for the upcoming year- Gaming Club-Mondays, Elementary Choir Club Tuesdays and Thursdays, and a Story Telling Club on Wednesdays. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. There was no objection and the motion was approved on a 3-0 vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Tappia Infanger to adjourn at 4:08 pm. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Lords Board Clerk