

# Syracuse Arts Academy Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 26, 2023

Location: SAA North Campus, 357 S 1550 W, Syracuse, UT 84075

In Attendance: Jerrad Pullum, Nate Schow, Mary Johnston, Rene Dreiling

Excused: Neil Garner

Others in Attendance: Dale Pfister, Dawn Kawaguchi, Brad Taylor, Brandon Fairbanks



The purpose of Syracuse Arts Academy is to develop respectful, confident citizens in a solid educational environment enriched by artistic expression.

## Minutes

### 2023-2024 School Priorities

Schoolwide Unity, Cooperation & Collaboration

Expansion of Arts Integration

Maximize All Data Sources to Improve Student Instruction and Performance

### 5:30 PM – Call to Order

- Welcome by Mary Johnston
- “Traditions” – The SAA Way
  - Board Mission – Rene Dreiling

There was no PUBLIC COMMENT.

### CONSENT ITEMS

- October 5, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes – There was no further discussion. **Nate Schow made a motion to approve the consent items. Rene Dreiling seconded the motion.**  
The votes were as follows:
  - Mary Johnston – Aye**
  - Nate Schow – Aye**
  - Rene Dreiling – Aye**
  - Jerrad Pullum – Aye****Motion passed unanimously.**

### VOTING ITEMS

- Satellite School Application – Mary Johnston turned the time over to Brandon Fairbanks. He gave a brief history on writing charters and satellites. It was an absolute pleasure to write this application. There may be some edits since Brandon is still looking at market analysis but he will send an update redline to the board before sending it in. The deadline

has been pushed back to November 17<sup>th</sup> instead of November 1<sup>st</sup> since they announced it a bit late. There was discussion on the omittance of a budget. Jerrad wanted to make a change from arts to integrated arts on page 4 and adjust the map to be more accurate where the campuses are located as well as the two new DSD schools. There was a discussion on adding other charter schools. Brandon discussed what will happen when the board presents to the State Charter School Board. He will have a board binder and some quick facts. There was a discussion on reconfiguring the Antelope campus so that we can have room for the jr. high students with the new satellite. This will help to have more full day kindergarten classes. There was a discussion on how many portables that the surrounding DSD schools have, how we want to build out the new campus, discussion on the budget in the application, meeting a couple of days before the actual presentation meeting, and typos were identified.

- Amended Selection & Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy – Dale Pfister reviewed the Selection & Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy including the process on how the board approves material used in the classroom. There was discussion on clarification on renewals vs. new curriculum that requires board approval, state required curriculum and new socials studies standards.
- Rescind Learner Validated Program Policy – Dale Pfister stated that during COVID the state allowed the school to have a temporary online learning, blended learning, etc. Because it was a temporary program, we are now back to in school learning only so we need to rescind this policy.

*There was a discussion on where the school may be located.*

**Nate Schow made a motion to approve the following items:**

- **Approve the Satellite School Application with the changes discussed;**
- **Approve the amended Selection, Approval & Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy including the name change to include “Approval” in the policy name; and**
- **Rescind the Learner Validated Program Policy.**

**Jerrad Pullum seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:**

**Mary Johnston – Aye**

**Nate Schow – Aye**

**Rene Dreiling – Aye**

**Jerrad Pullum – Aye**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- Calendar Items – ALL
  - Holiday Social – November 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Next Pre-Board Meeting – November 27<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30 p.m.
  - Next Board Meeting – December 7<sup>th</sup>
  - NCSC24 Boston, MA – June 30 – July 3
- There was a discussion on when we can address questions on the satellite.

**6:17 PM – Rene Dreiling made a motion to ADJOURN. Jerrad Pullum seconded the motion.**

**The votes were as follows:**

**Mary Johnston – Aye**

**Nate Schow – Aye**

**Rene Dreiling – Aye**

**Jerrad Pullum – Aye**

**Motion passed unanimously.**