

MEETING MINUTES

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Attendees

Voting Members

- Ms. Karen Aston, President
- Ms. Amber Wright, Treasurer
- Ms. Nancy Willison, Board Member
- Ms. Jenn Singletary, Board Member
- Mr. Steve Jedziniak, Board Member

Others In Attendance:

- Kristy Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer
- Jonathan Seal, Director Grades 9-12
- Amy Hart, Director Grades K-8
- Dawn Benke
- Hannah Dorius
- Janey Stoddard

1. Board Meeting Welcome and Roll Call

Karen Aston called the meeting to order at 3:07PM.

Motion made by: Karen Aston

Voting:

Karen Aston - Yes

Amber Wright - Yes

Nancy Willison - Yes

Steve Jedziniak - Yes

Jenn Singletary - Yes

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Consent Calendar

a. February 15, 2024 Board Meeting and Closed Session Minutes

Motion: I move to approve the February 15, 2024 Board Meeting and Closed Session Minutes.

Motion made by: Nancy Willison

Motion seconded by: Karen Aston

Voting:

Karen Aston - Yes

Amber Wright - Yes

Nancy Willison - Yes

Steve Jedziniak - Yes

Jenn Singletary - Yes

5. Reports

a. Administrative Report

Kristy Gordon presented the Administrative Report to the board. The administration is excited about the current enrollment numbers. Currently, 465 students are enrolled for the next school year. The enrollment numbers are the best they have been at this time of year in a long time. As of now, there are no openings in 11th or 12th grades for next year. The administration and students are looking forward to spring break. Testing will occur after spring break. The State is allowing the school to test some of the students virtually.

b. Finance Report

Dawn Benke gave the Finance Report to the board. The school year is currently 67 % of the way through. This number is a good reference point for the current state of the budget. The State revenue is higher than usual because enrollment is higher than usual. Federal grant reimbursements are starting to arrive. Supplies and materials are higher than anticipated for this time of year. However, Lumen Scholar Institute was awarded more grants than expected and the money from the grants was used to purchase supplies and materials for the school. Dawn Benke expressed that the budget is in good condition.

6. Board Business

a. 2024/2025 School LAND Trust Plan

Amy Hart presented the 2024/2025 School LAND Trust Plan. A few specifications for School LAND Trust Plans were changed on the state level. The administration altered their School LAND Trust Plan to align with the new specifications. 60% of students must be on grade level reading by 3rd grade. Each student is tested 3 times each year. 50% of students K-3rd grade are currently below grade level in reading. The administration is focusing on

increasing students' Acadience reading scores. The board asked Amy Hart several clarifying questions about the plan. The board requested that the administration change the word "class" to "grade" in the final summary of the plan.

Motion: I move to approve the 2024/2025 School LAND Trust Plan with the one change from class to grade as discussed.

Motion made by: Karen Aston

Motion seconded by: Amber Wright

Voting:

Karen Aston - Yes

Amber Wright - Yes

Nancy Willison - Yes

Steve Jedziniak - Yes

Jenn Singletary - Yes

b. Fraud Risk Training

Hannah Dorius reminded the board to complete the Fraud Risk Training. It is important that all board members complete this training to remain in compliance with the law. This training is required to be completed by each board member every four years.

c. Policies:

i. Policy 0520: Religion and Education Policy Amendment

Hannah Dorius read the policy summary provided by Academica West. Janey Stoddard clarified a few notes about the amendment and the bill that affected the policy. Parents will not have to request to opt their students out. They can simply inform the school their student will not participate in the school's activities. The board expressed that they are slightly uncomfortable with the language "right of conscience". The board has left the definition of "right of conscience" up to the discretion of the administration if there is an extreme situation that occurs.

Motion: I move to approve the Religion and Education Policy Amendment as presented.

Motion made by: Amber Wright

Motion seconded by: Nancy Willison

Voting:

Karen Aston - Yes

Amber Wright - Yes

Nancy Willison - Yes

Steve Jedziniak - Yes

Jenn Singletary - Yes

ii. Policy 0555: Sex Education Instruction Policy Review

The Sex Education Instruction Policy was reviewed by the board. The board received a copy of the policy in their meeting documentation. The Sex Education and Instruction Policy and data is required to be reviewed once every two years.

d. Calendaring

The next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2024.

7. School LAND Trust Council

8. Adjourn

Motion: At 3:53PM, I make a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by: Nancy Willison

Motion seconded by: Amber Wright

Voting:

Karen Aston - Yes

Amber Wright - Yes

Nancy Willison - Yes

Steve Jedziniak - Yes

Jenn Singletary - Yes