

Syracuse Arts Academy

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 15, 2024

Location: SAA Antelope Elementary Campus, 2893 W 1700 S, Syracuse, UT 84075

In Attendance: Jerrad Pullum, Rene Dreiling, Neil Garner, Nate Schow,

Excused: Mary Johnston,

Others in Attendance: Reid Newey, Dawn Kawaguchi, Jon McQueary, Janey Stoddard, Kirk Blake,



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

Minutes

2024-2025 School Priorities

Data Equivalent
Development of Teachers
Alignment of Curriculum
Building Expansion Vision

5:31 PM – INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- Welcome & Roll Call – Nate Schow
 - Board Mission – Rene Dreiling
 - School Vision – Nate Schow

PUBLIC COMMENT

- A public comment was made by Heather Christensen regarding the Dress Code Policy on hair color. She requested that the board revisit the Dress Code Policy due to the different interpretations of each administrator.

REPORTS

- **Board of Directors**
 - Financial Update – Rene Dreiling reviewed the finances as of July 31st. We are about 8.3% through the year. He reminded the board that some of the payroll expenses will be reclassified to last years financials. Jon mentioned a few items had some coding issues so these financials will be updated by next month. There was a discussion on safety grant purchases and where they are coded and how long they must spend the funds. The audit has started but not for SAA. Jon is working on SAA's trial balance which is due to the auditors by the end of this month.
- **Academica West**

- Introduction to Facilities – Reid requested to introduced Kirk Blake. He is the facilities manager for AW and he does incredible work. Kirk went through the facilities service that he and his team take care of. They are split up into four general categories. They are Long-term Facilities Maintenance Planning, Ongoing Maintenance, Patch & Paint, Emergency Situations, and Special Projects and Handyman Services. Kirk gave a brief explanation of what each area consists of. There was a discussion on future planning on potential replacement costs. Jon recommended starting a separate PTIF account for facilities planning. *Kirk Blake was excused at 5:56 p.m.*
- Review Title I Monitoring Visit – Jon McQueary stated that there were no findings so he turned the time over to Janey Stoddard. Janey stated that Title I is federal funding and was cut dramatically this last year due to census data. SAA is a targeted assist school. She gave an overview of the monitoring visit that was last fall. Judy was amazing and did a great job. There was a discussion on how to get more families to self-identify their income.

➤ **Administration**

- State of the School – Reid Newey
 - ✓ Current Enrollment – Reid reviewed the current enrollment. There was a discussion on the enrollment trend.
 - ✓ New Building Update – Reid gave an update on the new building. They are still working on the wetlands mitigation before we can break ground. One West is having difficulties acquiring water shares, so they are proposing a turf field, but it is costly. Reid is also proposing plumbing it for lights. There was discussion on the pro and cons of spending the money on turf. We are moving forward with the greenhouse.
 - ✓ Amended Attendance Administrative Procedures – Reid reviewed the amended Attendance Administrative Procedures. These changes are legislative driven.
 - ✓ PLC Training – Reid shared results of a survey from the recent training from Bob Sonju. This training addressed priorities 1-3. They will have a follow up training in November. Reid is really proud of the teachers and para-associates of the work they have done for kids.

CONSENT ITEMS

- New Hires – Reid is looking for new opportunities to receive more funding in our Jr high with CTE and tech. We are fully staffed.
 - Spangler, Abigail – Junior Tech (SAA-JH)
 - Sarvello, Traelynn – Kitchen Assistant (SAA-JH)
 - Gailey, Riker – Summer Tech Intern (SAA-JH)
 - Galloway, Ryker – Summer Tech Intern (SAA-JH)
 - Atkin, Kristy – School Nurse (SAA-N)
 - Johnson, Melissa – 2nd Grade Teacher (SAA-N)
 - Brown, Emma – 4th Grade Teacher (SAA-N)
 - Houston, Sarah – 6th Grade Teacher (SAA-ANT ELEM)
 - Long, Dalan – Summer Tech Intern (SAA-JH)
 - Jones, Tonya – SPED TA (SAA-JH)

- Hernandez, Amanda – 2nd Grade Teacher (SAA-JH)
 - Richards, Brooke – 4th Grade Teacher (SAA-ANT ELEM)
 - Forsyth, Brielle – 1st Grade Teacher (SAA ANT ELEM)
 - Van Pelt, Marc – SPED Teacher (SAA ANT ELEM)
 - Clifford, Craig – CTE Teacher (SAA-JH)
 - Bennion, Monica – JH SPED TA
 - Hellewell, Cindy – JH SPED TA
 - Granquist, Barbara – North Campus Sub
 - Heiniger, Shayna – North Campus
 - Long, Kylin – North Campus
 - Hawkes, Erin – North Campus
 - Rogers, Melanie – North Campus Sub
 - Allred, Kelsi – ANT ELEM sub
 - Carbine, Caden – JH Sub
 - Rodriguez, Yesenisa – JH Office Aide
 - Sage Montoya – ANT Elem TA
 - Jaimie Douglas – ANT Elem TA
 - McCoy Ferry – JH Sub
- June 27, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes – There was no further discussion.
- Ratify Amended 2024-2025 School Calendar – There was a last-minute change to the kindergarten start date. **Neil Garner made a motion to approve the consent items. Rene Dreiling seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:**
- Nate Schow – Aye
 Rene Dreiling – Aye
 Neil Garner – Aye
 Jerrad Pullum – Aye
- Motion passed unanimously.**

VOTING ITEMS

- Amend Andersen Asphalt Invoice – Jon McQueary stated that there were some additional items added.
- OneWest Change Order for North Campus Storage Addition – Jon McQueary stated that the North campus storage is complete but there was a small change order. Dale wanted some gates which put the total amount over the approved amount.
- Amend Arrest Reporting Policy – Reid Newey reviewed the amended Arrest Reporting Policy. The big change here is reporting within 48 hours. Proposed changes were as follows: under the required reports the board would like to add the word “campus” before principal and under the Timeline for Reports halfway into the paragraph, the board would like to add the word and/OR campus principal
- Amend Selection, Approval & Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy – Reid Newey reviewed the amended Instructional Materials Policy. They added in the sensitive materials information. Janey added that there is also information on the removal of books statewide if three districts or five charter schools have removed the book from their library. Dawn also added the Platte’s recommending to rescind the Library Materials Policy due to conflicting information with both policies.

Neil Garner made a motion to approve the following:

- **Approve to amend Andersen Asphalt purchase from to not to exceed \$45,000 to the total amount of \$47,906.05;**
- **Approve the One West change order in the amount of \$1,430;**
- **Approve the amended Arrest Reporting Policy with changes discussed; and**
- **Approve the amended Selection, Approval, & Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy including the name change to Instructional Materials Policy and rescind the Library Materials Policy and Administrative Procedures.**

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

Nate Schow – Aye

Rene Dreiling – Aye

Neil Garner – Aye

Jerrad Pullum – Aye

Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

➤ Calendaring Items – ALL

- **Schedule September Electronic Board Meeting – LEA Specific Licenses and possible final building amount. September 19th @ 5:30 p.m. Dawn will send out calendar invite.**
- **Next Pre-Board Meeting – September 19th**
- **Next Board Meeting – October 3rd**
- **NCSC25 Orlando, FL June 29-July 2**

6:58 PM – Jerrad Pullum made a motion to ADJOURN. Rene Dreiling seconded the motion.

The votes were as follows:

Nate Schow – Aye

Rene Dreiling – Aye

Neil Garner – Aye

Jerrad Pullum – Aye

Motion passed unanimously.