

Wallace Stegner Academy Board of Directors Meeting



Date: October 29th, 2024

In Attendance: Sarah Vaughan, Frank Magana, Reed Farnsworth, Tony Furano

Excused: Jeremy Schow

Others in Attendance: Adam Gerlach, Anthony Sudweeks, Brandon Fairbanks, Tyler O'Brien, Stacee Phillips, Hannah Jones

Teleconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84037427252>

Wallace Stegner Academy will foster a community of active learners through academic rigor and citizenship by providing an opportunity for students to achieve academic excellence.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Sarah Vaughan called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

CONSENT ITEMS

- September 25, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
Tony Furano made a motion to approve the September 25, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes. Frank Magana seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sex Education Curriculum – This was the second public comment opportunity for Sex Education Curriculum and Maturation. There were no public comments.

VOTING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Approve Sex Education Curriculum
Adam Gerlach reviewed the Sex Education Curriculum with the board. Sarah Vaughan asked if there have been any comments from parents about the curriculum. Anthony Sudweeks said they have not received any comments or feedback from parents regarding the curriculum. The board had no further questions or concerns about the curriculum.

Sarah Vaughan made a motion to approve the Sex Education Curriculum. Frank Magana seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.

- Approve 2024-2025 Kearns School Land Trust Plan
Anthony Sudweeks explained the School Land Trust Plan for the Kearns campus to the board. He said it is the exact same plan used at the other Wallace Stegner Academy campuses. He specified that the plan allows kids to receive tutoring. The board had no questions or concerns about the plan.
Reed Farnsworth made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 School Land Trust Plan (Kearns). Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.
- Award Snow Removal Bids
Adam Gerlach made the recommendation to award the Snow removal bid to Landscape Solutions. The board had no questions or concerns about the snow removal services.
Frank Magana made a motion to award the snow removal bid to Landscape Solutions. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.
- Lunch RFP
Adam Gerlach informed the board that they received one response from Lunch Pro to the Lunch RFP. Adam said the menus look great and they have enjoyed working with Lunch Pro at the other two campuses. The RFP submissions were reviewed and scored with the recommendation of awarding the RFP to Lunch Pro.
Sarah Vaughan made a motion to award the lunch RFP to Lunch Pro. Reed Farnsworth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.
- One West Invoice – Kearns Campus
Adam Gerlach explained that the new campus soccer field was not a part of the lease so that was something they paid out of pocket for. Adam explained the costs labeled on the invoice to the board including a charge for electric car charging stations. Reed Farnsworth asked how many electric car chargers they will have, and Adam clarified there will be four. Sarah Vaughan then asked how the kids like the large playground and Adam said that they love it and feel appreciated. There were no further questions or concerns from the board about the invoice.
Frank Magana made a motion to approve the One West Invoice. Tony Furano seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.
- Satellite Application

Anthony Sudweeks explained that this is the initial application to begin opening a fourth campus. Anthony said they are targeting some areas in Davis County Utah. The targeted area has similar demographics in relation to their current campuses. There is no explicit date for an opening date, but the goal will be to open as soon as possible. Brandon Fairbanks added that they will submit the application on November 1st and that once they meet with the state board in January 2025 and if they are approved, they normally would be able to open the school in Fall 2026. Brandon Fairbanks said that he will work with Adam and Anthony to explore expediting the process and that he wants the board to be aware he will have everything they need to be prepared to present in January. Brandon Fairbanks congratulated the board and the directors for all their hard work on opening new campuses. Sarah Vaughan asked how their budget will absorb the cost of opening a new school. Brandon Fairbanks said they are in a great financial position to open the new school. Frank Magana asked how flexible the geographic parameters are in the application. Brandon Fairbanks said that if they needed to make a change to those parameters, they would be able to work with and notify the state of any changes. There were no further questions or comments regarding the application.

Frank Magana made a motion to approve the Satellite Application. Reed Farnsworth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.

CALENDARING

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for December 3rd, 2024, at 5:30 PM.

ADJOURN

At 7:30 PM Frank Magana made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Reed Farnsworth seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The votes were as follows: Sarah Vaughan, Aye; Frank Magana, Aye; Tony Furano, Aye; Reed Farnsworth, Aye.