

Excelsior Academy Board of Trustees
Approved Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 20th, 2025, At 5:30 PM
162 E Erda Way, Erda, UT 84074



Call to Order

Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM

Board Members Present

Brandon Clark
Emily Smith
Laura Skousen
Danelle Robins
Cathy Hunter
Yesenia Valenzuela

Board Members Excused

Helen Emefo

Staff Present

Jen Martin
Brad Hendershot
Eva Wayman
Cami Thorpe
Savanah Broadbent
Gichin Marsden

Public Present

NA

Minutes

Approve the January 23rd, 2025, Board Meeting Minutes **Motion:** Mrs. Robins motioned to approve the January 23rd, 2025, Board meeting minutes, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion, there was no discussion, all were in favor, and the motion carried.

Public Comment

NA

Finance Report

Ms. Martin reviewed the financial reports and scoreboard for January

2025. See Attachment A

Administrative Report

Mrs. Broadbent- Reviewed early learning goals to increase the percentage of 3rd-grade students who are at or above benchmark in Concepts and Applications by 6%, and increase the percentage of 1st-grade students who are at or above benchmark in fluency by 6%, RISE Interim scores, currently reviewing math, and interventions. Upcoming events, Heritage Day, and Math Night.

Mr. Marsden- We had parent-teacher conferences, and they went well. This was our first time doing this Community engagement activity, which would provide parents with tools to help their students. Creating resources to help guide them. This was a grant provided by the state. Over 150 RSVP. We were able to answer frequent questions from parents—over 140 years of experience from the panel of educators. Prizes were a highlight of the evening. We will continue to hold this type of event.

Mrs. Wayman- Mrs. Burke has been using AI to support student success by:

- Helping accommodate grade level worksheets, reducing language, and simplifying the problem while maintaining the concept.
- Providing supplemental worksheets to reinforce concepts that students are struggling with.
- Administering regular assessments
- Identifying concepts and tracking the success of the concepts
- Using the data to guide teaching

Board Business Action Items

a. **Discuss and Approve the School Land Trust Plan for 2025/2026-** Mrs. Smith motioned to approve the School Land Trust Plan for 2025/2026, and Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. All were in favor, and the motion carried. See Attachment B

b. **2nd Public Hearing and Approval of School Fees for the 2025/2026 School Year:** Mrs. Valenzuela motioned to approve the school fees for the 2025/2026 school year, and Mrs. Skousen seconded the motion. There was no discussion on the motion. All were in favor, and the motion carried. See Attachment C

Discussion Items

a. History Of Excelsior Academy

- b. School Land Trust Final Report for 2023-2024 See Attachment D
- c. No Board meeting in March

Adjourn Meeting

Mrs. Smith motioned to adjourn the meeting, and Mrs. Valenzuela seconded the motion. There was no discussion on this motion, all were in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.