



## Spectrum Academy Board Meeting Minutes

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	August 11, 2015 6:05 P.M. – 7:50 P.M.
<b>Location</b>	Spectrum Academy, Pleasant Grove, Utah
<b>Members Expected</b>	Dennis M. Bullard, Marney DeVroom, Marcy Johnson, Blake Schmutz, and Jason Steenblik
<b>Members Excused</b>	Jana Gold, Rozanne Marsh
<b>Spectrum Staff</b>	Brad Nelson, Jaime Christensen, Christina Guevara, Kaley King, Liz Banner, Ashley Pamp, Barry Pewtress

## BUSINESS DISCUSSED

### **Board Session**

- Review and approve Minutes from the Board Meeting conducted on July 14, 2015. The minutes have been previously provided to each Board member for review and comment. As there were no comments offered, Motion was made by Blake Schmutz to accept the minutes as prepared; seconded by Jason Steenblik; unanimously approved.
- Gala Initial 2016 planning discussion
  - Dennis proposed that we start on planning the Gala now.
  - The board discussed looking for available fundraiser coordinators.
  - Dennis suggested that the coordinator that is chosen should report a time table to the board. He also suggested hiring someone with plenty of experience.
  - Jason suggested looking into more fundraiser options.
  - Dennis suggested that something “like” the Turkey Trot be set up at the PG campus.
    - Liz said that the PAC group came up with a couple ideas
      - Olympics
      - Lego tournament
- Academic Director’s Update
  - The Board reviewed and discussed Media Relations Policy. Motion was made by to accept the Media Relations Policy as presented to the Board and modified by the Board made by Dennis Bullard; seconded by Jason Steenblik; unanimously approved.
  - The Board reviewed and discussed Electronics Communications Policy. Motion was made by Jason Steenblik to accept the Electronics Communications Policy as presented to the Board and modified by the Board; seconded by Blake Schmutz; unanimously approved.
  - Brad reported that Jennifer Johnson from the State School Board visited the School last week. The incident report data was presented to her. She suggested that we come up with recommended revisions and that we go to the State School Board with variance specifically for our school in regards to the State Behavior Policy.

- Financial Update (Jason Steenblik, Brad Nelson)
  - Update on bonding
    - Jason spoke to the point that we got a good not great rating.
    - New Options will be presented by David Robertson to the finance committee tonight.
      - Despite current good financial condition, the school was rated lower because the operating history was short.
      - Long term financing, bridge loans, Credit enhancement, and appealing the current underwriter decision were all discussed. Future financing options were also discussed.
      - Jason suggested that the finance committee decide to go ahead and go with the 30 year bond with the 4 or 5 year call. Dennis motioned to authorize the finance committee to explore and commit 30 year bond with the 4 or 5 year call, to make the rating public, and to obtain additional information from the State. Motion Seconded by Blake; unanimously approved.
      - The Yearly budget will be presented to the next Board meeting.
- PG School Principal's Update (Liz Banner)
  - The first PAC meeting has already taken place
  - Started the year fully staffed
  - USOE came to training yesterday the comment was "you are the most visually pleasing group I have ever seen"
  - Training has gone very well
    - Videos online have helped give the teachers and staff more time getting their rooms ready.
  - Spectrum Band has been invited to the annual balloon launch for Autism.
  - Adobe came two days to volunteer and also donated money.
- NSL Secondary School Principal's Update (Christina Guevara)
  - Met with Utah Film Center with their outreach program
    - Field Trip set up in September
  - Meeting with Ballet West schedule for later this month.
    - Teachers will be teaching students from both schools
    - DATC will be starting on August 24<sup>th</sup> 2015
  - School to work program
    - Scheduled to be set up by the middle of September.
      - Kitchen
      - Stepping stone station
  - Planning started for the Autism Conference to be held Fall 2016
  - New Transition information added to the established guide mostly Legal information.
    - Eventually Christina would like to tailor the guides for the individual tracks.
  - Data analysis will have all Para's and Teachers actively engaged

- NSL Elementary School Principal's Update
  - Kayle reported for Ashley
    - Everything is going well and they are excited for the new school year to start.
- Safety and Security Update
  - ERT and ESI teams are being set up.

Next board Meeting scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> at Secondary School North Salt Lake Campus 7:00pm  
Blake Schmutz motioned to close meeting; seconded by Marcy Johnson; unanimously approved.

**Public Session**

- No public comments offered

  
Marcy Johnson, Secretary