

**HighMark Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 20, 2015**



Location: 2467 E. South Weber Drive
South Weber, UT 84405

In Attendance: Bentley McEntire, Richard Bigler, Blake Petersen, Sage Ukena, Denis Petersen

Others in Attendance: Mary Johnston, Kim Dohrer, Kara Finley, Ryan Smith, Anoel Mower, Shelese Castle, Melissa Cheney, Laura Hunter, Jayden Iverson, Kenya Jackson, Summer Muster, Ashton Osborne, members of the public

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MINUTES

7:04 PM – CALL TO ORDER by Bentley McEntire

CONSENT ITEMS

- **February 23, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes**
Denis Petersen made a motion to approve the February 23, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes; Richard Bigler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- The following individuals made a public comment:
 - Anoel Mauer thanked the great teachers and discussed offering honors courses.
 - Shelese Castle commented that she would like more junior high electives.
 - Melissa Cheney discussed the desire for more elective offerings and an honors program.
 - Laura Hunter stated that students should be pushed to achieve excellence and would like to have students in an honors program to ensure they are being challenged.

HAWK AWARD INTERVIEWS

- Jayden Iverson, Summer Muster, Ashton Osborne, and Kenya Jackson presented on their service projects, business projects, and accomplishments. The Board interviewed them regarding the standards for the Hawk Award.

REPORTS

- **Budget Report**

Blake Petersen reviewed the budget and spending to date. The Board discussed technology purchases for iPad's, mobile labs, and future purchases. The increased enrollment for next year and additional funding will help support the budget.

- **Principal Report**

Mary Johnston provided a report on the state of the school. Current enrollment figures were examined including the rate of declined families and the estimated enrollment for next fall. Elective offerings for next year were discussed and include painting, jewelry making, guitar, band, and theater.

The changes to the honors program include having separate honors classes for ninth grade students and for seventh and eighth grade students to be in a traditional class with having a path to take honors courses and accelerated opportunities. Math courses allow students to advance into the courses for which they are prepared. The course comparison to the local districts and the need to communicate the academic program to the HighMark community was considered.

The ninth grade field trip was a wonderful experience for the students and those attending enjoyed the park and seminars. The athletics program was discussed including the changes on who has joined, the fields, and the league competitiveness. The updates to the facilities and future needs were reviewed.

VOTING ITEMS

- **Speech Services Agreement**

Mary Johnston reviewed the speech services that are being provided to students and the cost of the services. The billing time frame was examined as well as the estimated need for services.

Blake Petersen made a motion to approve the Speech Services Agreement with Something to Talk About, including revising the payment period to be 30-days; Denis Petersen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **2015-2016 Fee Schedule**

Mary Johnston presented the changes to the fee schedule, including the addition of Canvas in order to offset part of the costs for the additional service, as well as the consumable honors Biology workbook.

Sage Ukena made a motion to approve the revised 2015-2016 Fee Schedule; Richard Bigler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Charter School Agreement Goals: Financial Performance and Sustainability**

The Board reviewed the agreement goals and is committed to meeting and exceeding the standards and goals.

- **Action Items**

The current action items were reviewed along with the new action items. The retention area upgrades, costs, and future timelines were considered.

- **Calendaring**
 - Board Meeting May 18, 2015 at 7 PM – CANCELLED
 - Board Retreat May 22-23, 2015
 - Award Ceremony May 26, 2015

CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL

- Richard Bigler made a motion to enter a Closed Session to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; Sage Ukena seconded. Motion passed unanimously, the votes were as follows:
 - Bentley McEntire – AYE
 - Richard Bigler – AYE
 - Blake Petersen – AYE
 - Sage Ukena – AYE
 - Denis Petersen – AYE

Entered Closed Session at 9:25 PM.

- Denis Petersen made a motion to adjourn the Closed Session and Board Meeting; Blake Petersen seconded. Motion passed unanimously, the votes were as follows:
 - Bentley McEntire – AYE
 - Richard Bigler – AYE
 - Blake Petersen – AYE
 - Sage Ukena – AYE
 - Denis Petersen – AYE

Adjourned Closed Session and Board Meeting at 10:02 PM.

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ADJOURN

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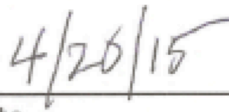
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AFFIDAVIT

This Closed Session was held to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a).



Bentley McEntire, Chair



Date