



Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information	
Date:	Wednesday, March 10, 2021
Time:	7:00 pm
Location:	Renaissance Academy, 3435 North 1120 East, Lehi, UT.
Next Meeting:	Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Attendee Information			
	Board Members	Schoolhouse	Public
x	Ryan Hunter, Board Chair	Mark Ursic, Executive Director	Jennifer Lambert
	Nate Sechrest, Vice-President	Stephanie Avery, Dean of Students and Families	
x	Cameron Hughes, Treasurer	Patti Davis, Business Manager	
x	Lance Anderson, Secretary	Allie Trounce Executive Assistant	
x	Monica Wonnacott, Board Member		

Motions			
#	Motion made by	Motion	Vote
1	Monica Wonnacott	School Land and Trust Plan: Include a new person in reading focus in grades 3 and up. To reduce the students below benchmark by 5%.	Second Cameron. Passed 4-0.
2	Monica Wonnacott	School Calendar 2021-2022	Second Cameron. Passed 4-0.
3	Monica Wonnacott	Close Meeting	Second Cameron. Passed 4-0.
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Time	Topics
7:09 pm	Ryan welcomed everyone. In attendance: Ryan Hunter, Cameron Hughes, Lance Anderson, Monica Wonnacott, Mark Ursic, Stephanie Avery, Patti Davis and Jennifer Lambert.
	February minutes were not approved: Not enough in quorum to approve minutes.
7:20 pm	Annual School and Trust Training video: Leading School Community Councils. (6 minutes) Members signed off to watch video.
7:30 pm	Members signed back into meeting.

	Executive Director Update: Mark Ursic
	<p>School and Land Trust money ideas for next year. Plans need to be based on student performance. Due to Covid, no state testing happened this year. It makes sense to use the reading program results to show student progress. Reading specialist and 2 aides were able to test everyone on campus and online students. State data is showing Renaissance K-3 came in stronger than many schools in the area despite Covid circumstances. In order to avoid further attrition with our students we are proposing expanding our reading program by adding a position to focus in grades 3 and up. To reduce the students who are below benchmark by 5%.</p>
	<p>School Calendar 2021-2021 Proposing that Renaissance Academy school calendar for 2021-2022 be a mirror image of Alpine School District. This helps alleviate conflicts so families can plan for activities, vacations, and summer events. Last day of school will be before Memorial Day. In addition, Mark suggested creating a calendar for Board Meetings and also posting the information on the RA website and FB page.</p>
	Financial Report: Mark Ursic
	<p>Our PNL may look a bit upside down due to the impact the Bonds had to our finances. We will communicate to the Bond holders in advance to help them understand we borrowed the money for our construction projects when it goes to the State for audit. Forecast for the rest of the school year is good. Projected budget net operating income of \$132,732 for the year. Currently tracking \$267,000 which exceeds what we need. Furthermore, this puts RA in good shape for the rest of the year and fiscally responsible. Local revenues such as, donations, fund raising, after school programs, FEC fund raising are low due to inactivity because of Covid restrictions. We are trying to get the Space Program back up and running for the last 2 months of school which would help bring in additional revenue. We are putting out a survey to parents for interest and keeping in mind safety, cleaning, smaller groups and any parent concerns.</p> <p>Expenses: Payments into the 401k Program for Employees is going well and ahead of where we should be for the year.</p> <p>Insurance Costs: A bit behind, but we will be able to make room for some adjustments. We did get better health rates this year and we are closer to budgeted forecast.</p> <p>Property Service: The removal of trailers was roughly 35k (Over budget)</p> <p>Phone System: We replaced the old phone system to IP phones with the remodel which was needed to be done. At the end of the day, we are still in good standing.</p>
	<p>New money from the Federal Government as a result of Covid, has been very generous. It will continue to be used for protective equipment and cleaning supplies as needed. Any excess funds will be used to replace teachers' laptops and new chrome books for students.</p>
	Construction Project Update: Mark Ursic
	<p>SYRC just started moving dirt this past week. SYRC's original bid scope included a re-work of the front parking lot to help pick-up / drop-off traffic. Front expense is roughly 300k. With plans including front and back remodel, the bid came in at 2.9 million. Front parking lot currently has been eliminated due to over budget costs. Front parking lot ideas may be re-visited with possible bond refund proceeds not in the budget of unallocated revenue.</p>
	<p>Ryan Hunter- The city did approve additional parking in the back of the school approximately 3 times more parking. This will free up more parking stalls in the front of the school. It's disappointing that the city has given little support to help alleviate the traffic and flow in the front of the school. RA did received word from the city we are no longer able to use the back parcel to store and stage. Possibly looking into renting space for contractors. We are also looking into the best options to solve pick-up / drop-off.</p>

	<p>Legislative Update: Mark Ursic Talking about a 5% increase in the WPU (Waited Pupil Unit). Great encouraging news! Typically, less than 4%.</p>
	<p>Discussion on Internal Audit Requirements: Tabled until next meeting. Ryan has asked Cameron to take the lead on this topic.</p>
	<p>Monica addressed the question – If the state lifts the mask mandate mid-April would RA follow suite? Mark Ursic response – RA would lift mask mandate. Parents, students and staff are still welcome to wear masks as they feel necessary. In addition, all staff who have wanted to be vaccinated have done so.</p>
	<p>Operations Report: Stephanie Avery The buzz for next year. Online teaching surveys from teachers were positive. Full time online families were also positive. We may not have the numbers next year to keep online students 1-5 online programs. We are planning to return next year full day Monday – Thursday. Entertaining options for Friday. Also, looking into online options depending on enrollment and benefits. Will send out a survey to families on feedback on what to expect for the 2021-2022 school year.</p>
	<p>Mark Commented: Currently working with Mr. Anderson the Chinese teacher from Sky Ridge and district to offer Chinese Emersion classes at Sky Ridge. Currently only offered at Lone Peak. Looking for clarification from Stacy Lions with the State before sending out family surveys for interest and also RA being considered as a feeder school so student may receive a wavier to keep friend groups together.</p>
9:53pm	<p>Motioned to end Board Meeting.</p>