



Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Information	
Date:	February 21, 2018
Time:	7:00 pm
Location:	Renaissance Academy, 3435 N 1120 E, Lehi, UT
Next Meeting:	March 21, 2018

Attendee Information		
Board Members		Schoolhouse
x	Carolyn Bayly, Board Chair	Mark Ursic, Executive Director
x	Jared Barfuss, Board Vice Chair	Stephanie McCappin Avery, Dean of Students and Families
	Ryan Hunter, Board Treasurer	Patti Davis, Business Manager
x	Monica Wonnacott, Board Member	Emily Depallens, Executive Assistant
x	Mike Bentley, Board Member	

Motions			
#	Motion made by	Motion	Vote
1	Monica Wonnacott	Approve the meeting minutes from the December 2017 Board Meeting.	Jared Barfuss seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
2	Jared Barfuss	Approve the 2018-19 calendar with the minor adjustments that were made.	Monica Wonnacott seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
3	Monica Wonnacott	Move the start time of the school day to 8:30 and leave it incumbent upon the school administration to determine the end time each day	Jared Barfuss seconded the motion. All voted in favor.
4	Monica Wonnacott	Move to closed session "described under subsection 52-4-205(1)(a) namely, the character/professional competence/health of an individual and (d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchasing, exchange, lease or sale of real property."	Jared Barfuss seconded the motion. All voted in favor by name.
5	Monica Wonnacott	Close the Board Meeting.	Jared Barfuss seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Time	Topics
7:08 pm	Welcome and call to order.
7:10 pm	Monthly Finance Report Mark went over the budget for this month. The budget looks great. The net income is \$240,000. At the last two board meetings, it was around \$80,000. What has changed is a mid-year update to our funding. Our October 1 count helps calculate growth. When we

	<p>start the year, we start out with an estimate. Our average daily membership is up and our growth number between this year and last year is up, compared to our original estimate. Many of the line item budgets have gone up. All of those increases add up to \$192,000, which is additional revenue against our original estimate. The Admin has been talking about different ideas on what to spend the money on. They have talked about updating the look of the front entryway of the school.</p>
7:22 pm	<p>The State has an allocation that they give to Renaissance Academy through different funding applications. They send it to US Bank every month as the trustee for our bondholders. US Bank takes that money and splits it up into six different accounts. Each account has a limit that is a target for the money they want us to have in there. Each of these accounts is meant to pay expenses related to our obligation. For example, any of the insurance we have (property insurance, general liability insurance, etc.) is supposed to be paid for out of the taxes and insurance account. Mark, Patti and Ryan have met and discussed how to use this money. Mark will put together a plan of how we utilize this money.</p>
7:52 pm	<p>Motion Monica made a motion to approve the minutes from the December board meeting. Jared seconded the motion. All voted in favor.</p>
7:54 pm	<p>2018-19 School Calendar The Board discussed the calendar for the 2018-19 school year. They looked at the Alpine School District calendar and made a few changes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - We will be including December 17, 18 and 19 as part of the Christmas break. - To make up for those three days, we will have school on January 2, March 4 and will go an extra day on May 31.
8:14 pm	<p>Motion Jared made a motion to approve the 2018-19 calendar with the minor adjustments as discussed. Monica seconded the motion. All voted in favor.</p>
8:17 pm	<p>School Start Time The board discussed starting school a half an hour later at 8:30. There have been many scientific studies that have proven that it is better for students to get more sleep and have a later start time. In the study, it said that students do much better in school when they start later in the day.</p>
8:33 pm	<p>Motion Monica made a motion in accordance with discussion of the the 2018-19 school calendar to move the start time of the school day to 8:30 and leave it incumbent upon the school administration to determine the end time each day. Jared seconded the motion. All voted in favor.</p>
8:47 pm	<p>Legislature The Education Subcommittee is recommending a 3% increase in WPU. They put together a list of recommendations and list what their priorities are. The biggest impact to the school is our student information system. Aspire is provided by the State and we have never had to pay for it. About 80% of charters use it. This program has come a long way. Due to some complaints about unfair competition from other vendors, there has been an ongoing discussion about whether we should be charged for this service. They are also considering a bill to create an oversight committee for charter schools. "The oversight committee would have legislative authority to investigate the implementation of state law in charter schools. They would have investigative power and subpoena power."</p>

8:59 pm	<p>Bond Refinancing</p> <p>They went through a spreadsheet of options for bond refinancing. They talked about using the money to expand and update the building. Mark drew out some of the options for expanding the building that the Board discussed them. One option would be to extend the street on the side and extend the building on the side where there already is a hallway. Another option would be to extend out back from the center of the building.</p>
9:24 pm	<p>Middle School</p> <p>Mark recommended not enrolling 9th grade next year. There are not enough students enrolled in that grade level to justify it. Stephanie called all of the families of 8th graders to see what their intentions were for next year. Most people said they had enrolled their kids here but if they got in to somewhere else, would not attend here. Mark recommended not enrolling 9th grade next year and include 6th grade in the Middle School rotations. The Board agreed that it is a schoolhouse decision.</p>
9:32 pm	<p>Marketing Plan</p> <p>Mark created new ads on social media for enrollment. Julie is working on a video about the immersion program for Middle School. We also need to push for re-enrollment. Julie held a meeting for 6th grade parents to talk about Chinese Immersion and how it will transition into Middle School.</p>
9:49 pm	<p>Motion</p> <p>Monica made a motion to move to closed session “described under subsection 52-4-205(1)(a) namely, the character/professional competence/health of an individual and (d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchasing, exchange, lease or sale of real property.” Jared seconded the motion. All in favor by name. The meeting moved to closed session.</p>
10:30 pm	<p>Motion</p> <p>Monica made a motion to close the meeting. Jared seconded the motion. All voted in favor.</p>