

**American Renaissance School
Board of Directors Meeting
October 2, 2019 5:30pm**

Mission:

To ensure a standard of academic excellence by providing a nurturing environment that allows each child to reach their fullest potential as students and citizens.

Board Members in Attendance: Kameron Brown, Raphael Weeks, Tracy Sain, Danny Carpenter, Frank DiGangi, Jonathan Bell

Board Members Not Present: Michele Knapp, Caity Gordon, Tori Gearlock;

Administrative Staff Present: Jim Duffey, Jessica Duncan, Andrea Leluika, Tai McMiller, Danielle Cusick, John Mairs

Call to Order at 5:39 pm

Frank DiGangi (for Kam)

Approval of Agenda

Kam Brown

Motion to approve by Jonathan Bell . Seconded by Tracy Sain. Motion passed by Board.

Recognition

Administration

- Tia McMiller recognized Julie Carpenter for her efforts in the Backpack Program, Girl Scouts leadership, and volunteering in classrooms.

Approval of Minutes

Kam Brown

Motion to approve by Jonathan Bell. Seconded by Raphael Weeks. Motion passed by Board.

Public Comments

- No public comments

Committee Reports

- Fundraising
 - RAP Report
 - Nothing report this week
- Governance
 - Nothing to report this week
 - Updates to the Policy Book, Tracy mentioned 7 items for review
 - Petty Cash Policy
- Personnel
 - MTSS Coach
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- Finance
 - Monthly Financial Statements

- JM: MyPaymentsPlus Revenue Report
 - John presented an update on the MyPayments
 - Charter has received the list of items to refund
 - Collected more volleyball fees than were expected
 - Frank presented the financial report
 - No local or federal monies yet, state funds are coming in
 - Review of expenses of benefits may be needed
 - \$71K moved into the surplus account
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 - *Motion to approve the financial report as presented by Jonathan Bell. Seconded by Raphael Weeks. Motion passed by Board.*
- Facilities
 - Nothing to report for open session.
 - Closed session - Facilities, Personnel

School Reports

- **Elementary:**
 - Hosting NCDPI PowerSchool training in the DCC from October 7-11
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 - BTSP Visit October 11 at 9am
 - This visit will be the actual audit
 - See Written Report for additional initiatives, upcoming events
 - Jessica Duncan presented the proposed MTSS Instructional coach position.
- **Middle School:**
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- **Technology & Communications**
 - **FOR APPROVAL:** Lotterease Lottery System (~\$2k budget impact; Instructional Subscriptions or Tech Repair could cover)
 - John Mair presented the proposal from Lotterease. Estimated total cost is \$1,950 for up to 300 applicants, could be expanded up to 400 for \$2,500.
 - *Motion to approve contract for Lotterease by Jonathan Bell. Seconded by Frank DiGangi. Motion passed by Board.*
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- **EC**
 - Staff presented a recommendation to hire Terry Johnson as the full time EC Assistant. Resume uploaded in meeting materials for review by Board members.
 - *Motion to approve hire by Frank DiGangi, Seconded by Jonathan Bell. Motion passed by Board.*
 - MOE (Maintenance of Effort) grant submitted. MOE indicates state and local funds are used for EC
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 - Transfer funds applied for: State 4 students Federal 11 students
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 - Head Count update
 - 80, 7 in referral

- Additional Notes:
 - Frank asked about an update on the security plan. The contact ARs was working with the City Police Department is no longer there. Jim Duffey is seeking another contact to work with on developing the plan.
 - Andrea Leluika introduced [*did not catch the name*].
- Closed Session:
 - *Motion to go into Closed Session by Jonathan Bell. Motion seconded by Raphael Weeks. Motion passed by Board.*

Open Session

- Board received Tori Cearlock's resignation from the ARS Board.
 - Motion to accept Tori's resignation by Jonathan Bell. Seconded by Frank. Motion passed by the Board.
- Board received Jonathan Bell's acceptance of a second 3 year term as a Board member.
- Board received Frank DiGangi's acceptance of a second 3 year term as a Board member.
- Board discussed negotiated contract terms for a two year lease of 132 E. Broad Street building between ARS and Carolina Motors Company for annual lease and triple net conditions starting July 2020.
 - *Motion to accept terms by Kameron Brown. Seconded by Raphael Weeks. Motion passed by Board.*

Motion to adjourn by Jonathan Bell. Seconded by Raphael Weeks. Motion passed by Board.

Board meeting adjourned 6:47 PM.