

American Renaissance School
Meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD)
Open meeting minutes
Wednesday, January 4, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Dated Wednesday, January 4, 2017

1. The Meeting was **Called to Order** at 6:30 pm by Sam Kennington

1. **Board Members Present:** Sam Kennington, Harriette Bailey, Michele Knapp, Marc Davis, Frank DiGangi, Sharon Bell, Matt Reyes

Board Members Absent: Jonathan Bell, Anna Johnson

Administrative Staff Present: Jim Duffey, Betsy Rosenbalm, Jessica Duncan, John Mairs

Administrative Staff Absent: n/a

Others in Attendance: n/a

2. **Call to Order** – Sam Kennington, Board Chairman

- Special Performance – ARS 6-8 Choir
- Special Presentation – Sara Johnson, Girls on the Run Coach, received the Girls On the Run Coach of the Season for the Piedmont Award

3. **Public Comment** – N/A

4. **Adoption of Agenda**

- Matt Reyes moved to adopt the agenda. Motion was seconded by Michele Knapp. Motion passed.

5. **Approval of minutes:**

December 7, 2016 minutes were presented for approval.

- Michele Knapp moved to approve the December 7, 2016 minutes with necessary revisions. Motion was seconded by Frank DiGangi. Minutes were approved.

Special Recognition

- BOD Chair offered praise for 6-8 grade Winter band concert. Thanks and appreciation to Brad Rashley
- Thanks to Sarah Rogers and Brad Rashley for the combined Winter concert of K-5 and 6-8 Chorus
- Thanks to RAP and Nicole Kershner for the faculty and staff Christmas luncheon, gift cards and cookie exchange
- Thanks to Kim Holshouser for assisting with the poinsettias for faculty and staff

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- Welcome to Casey Clendenin, new Kindergarten teacher; thanks to Jessica Duncan for arranging an open house meeting to introduce parents to our new teacher
- Thanks to the BOD on behalf of the administrative team

6. New Business

Committee Reports

- **Finance**
 - The year to date budget was presented by Michele Knapp.
 - Harriette Bailey moved to accept the budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Sharon Bell. Motion passed.
- **Development/Fund raising** (4 main events: Discount cards, 3b, Annual Fund & Spring Gala)
 - Working with RAP on Spring 2017 fundraisers
- **Governance**
 - Finalizing committee membership
 - First meeting projected to be held prior to the next BOD meeting
- **Personnel**
 - No report
- **Property and Facilities**
 - Update on Tradd St. property
 - Working with Jonathan Bell and insurance adjuster regarding future flooding
 - Maintenance of the property will be provided by ARS to make sure materials are available on a monthly basis
 - Frank DiGangi moved to accept the Phase 1 plans for the Tradd St. property, including \$3030 outlay of funds from the facility budget. Motion seconded by Matt Reyes. Motion carried.
- **School Report**
 - Air Quality
 - Administration will meet with an allergist and report findings/recommendations at the next BOD meeting
 - Bus Repair
 - Purchased new brakes
 - Seeking quotes for new tires
 - HVAC
 - No update at this time
- Title I and II plans were submitted and approved by DPI
- Office of Charter Schools has approved new process for application and enrollment

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- Thanks to John Mairs for developing the new online school application process
- Statesville Theater – opted to pay \$200 rental fee, which will go toward the Arts
- Exceptional Children
 - IDEA Grant submitted and approved
 - EC State Accountability Plan
 - 1st round of indicators – ARS met compliance at 100%
 - ESL – 4 students
- Boxtops
 - Debbie Shaginaw facilitate the raising of \$1300 to purchase AED supplies or staff
- Calendar meeting scheduled for 1/17/17 to develop the school calendar for AY 17-18

7. Board Chair Remarks

- Get committees up and running ASAP
- Looking forward to the remainder of the school year

8. Closed Session (if needed) – Closed session

- Michele Knapp moved to go into closed session
- Matt Reyes seconded the motion
- Motion passed

9. Next Meeting and Adjourn –

The next meeting of the board of directors will be on February 1, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the K-5 Building board room.

Sharon Bell made a motion to adjourn.
The motion was seconded by Marc Davis.
The motion carried.

A motion to approve these board minutes is made, seconded and passed.

Approved on: February 1, 2017 Signature of Officer: Harriette N. Bailey