

American Heritage Charter School
Special Board Meeting
December 5, 2024

4:00 pm via Zoom

Roll Call

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| <p>Board of Directors: Chairperson Deby Infanger Director Tappia Infanger Director Eliza Ruys Director Mike Infanger</p> <p>Others in Attendance: Dr. Hurst Head Administrator Mr. Rose-9-12 Administrator Mrs. Harris-4-8 Administrator Angela Lords, Business Manager Others participating by Zoom</p> | <p>Not in Attendance: Vice Chair Trent VanderSloot Director Cheri Lima Mr. Jim Dalton, Board Executive Director</p> |
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Pledge of Allegiance

Dispensed due to virtual meeting.

Agenda

Director Tappia moved to amend the agenda to include action item C. Music Bids for the CSP grant. Director Eliza Ruys seconded that motion. The motion was approved 4-0 on a roll call vote.

Special Orders

No Report was given by Chairman Infanger

Consent Agenda

Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the consent agenda as presented to the board. Director Eliza Ruys seconded that motion. The motion was approved 4-0 on a roll call vote

Executive Session

Director Tappia Infanger moved to move into executive session at 4:05 pm in accordance with Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (b) To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public-school student. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion, and the motion was approved on a 4-0 vote. Director Tappia Infanger moved to move back into regular session at 7:09 pm. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion was approved on a 4-0 vote.

Action Items from Executive Session

- A. Director Eliza Ruys moved to approve Kyla Schuebel as our new 1st grade teacher and Lauren Anderson as our new orchestra teacher for the upcoming school year. Director Mike Infanger seconded the motion. The motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

Administrative, PFA, and Student Reports and Recommendations

Elementary Update

Dr. Hust submitted the following for her update:

- We held our Accreditation Meeting before we left for Thanksgiving Break. Mr. Scott was our accreditation led. He was out of Utah but has worked in schools and charters in Nevada. The meeting went very well. He interviewed students, teachers, admin, and parents. Here are a few takeaways that he received from those interviews. Everyone is on the same page and no one had anything negative to say about our school
1. Students: They wish more tutoring were provided every day after school, even from peers
Love their mentos but wish they were less clinical and more personable
Would like to see more sports opportunities like soccer
They knew about the discipline processes and there was no negative pushback on the cellphone policies
They feel our school is an easy place to learn, they enjoy it, and they wouldn't want to be any place else.
 2. Parents: The Admin is very approachable and they are treated with respect.
The curriculum could be more aggressive.
Too many points of entry and would like us to lock them down
They feel their students are on par or ahead of other students with academics
They feel people are treated fairly
They feel we are always looking for ways to make our school better by listening
 3. Staff: Lots of hats people wear
Students with behavioral needs may not get what they can at other schools
If they need something, money is always there.
They appreciate taking their classes on trips.
They feel they have everything they need.
The teachers in 4th and 5th feel like they don't belong.

Mr. Scott will formulate his report and send it to his division for approval. We should receive documentation by the end of Jan.

- We are waiting for bids to come back for musical instruments. They have until 2:00 p.m. today to submit their bids. Right now we only have one company who has sent in a bid. I will talk about this bid today at the meeting.
- We will be holding our Christmas Activity for K-3 on December 19th. We will be doing a "Wonka Christmas." We are excited to have this fun activity for our students.
- I am attaching our Draft Annual Performance Report. They will release the corrected report in January. I thought it looked good. It is the new criteria and I feel we have done well.

Middle School Update

Mrs. Harris submitted the following for his update:

- Our middle school girls' basketball team has had a wonderful season, and the A team continues to impress. They won their playoff game this past Tuesday, and we're looking forward to their next game tonight at 5 pm. To celebrate their success, we are hosting a special middle school-only celebration dance after the game, which will run until 8:30 pm. This will be a great way for the students to unwind and celebrate their hard work and team spirit.
- The students had a great time creating door decorations for the Pocatello Veterans Home. Tomorrow, Mr. Rose and I will be delivering the decorations along with donated gifts to the Veterans Home. This is our second year making the door decorations and I hope we can continue to serve them in this way for years to come.
- This morning, we also held a very successful all-house meeting, which featured some fun relays and competitions. These activities were designed to highlight last month's SWEAT Pledge verse of the month, fostering team spirit and reinforcing important character-building values. The students really enjoyed the challenges, especially the tug-of-war, and it was a great opportunity to build school community and get a lot of students involved.
- Additionally, we had the privilege of hosting Joyce from the Soil Conservation District, who came to award four of our students with prize money for their participation in the soil conservation contest.

- Our orchestra Christmas program will be held on Tuesday, December 10th, at 7 pm.

High School Update

Mr. Rose submitted the following for his update:

- Food drive - Our food drive was very successful again this year. We brought in a huge number of canned food items to donate to the veterans home in pocatello. They comment each year about how they rely on AHCS as their largest single canned food donor.
- Veteran door decorations and gift drive - We participated in another service project this week of creating decorations for veterans doors at the veterans home in pocatello. Myself, Mrs. Harris, and a few students will travel Friday to decorate doors and drop off items from our gift drive. Each year the veterans home and American Legion posts in the area provide gifts for the veterans to send to their loved ones around the country. This year we gathered items from parents and faculty members to donate including hats, gloves, wallets, puzzles, games, and more!
- Success-a-bration - We will be holding an end of semester succes-a-bration 12/19/24 which will include a dodgeball game and other fun activities. Students must qualify for this by having a C or above in all classes. If they do not qualify they will be in study hall during that time.

Student Council

J. Provencio approached the board about some improvements that the student council can provide for the school.

- Painting the backboards with some patriotic colors
- Painting some four square lines
- Purchasing ceiling tiles for a fund raiser, the students can paint and design

Old Business

- A. Director Tappia Infanger moved to approve the policy 5340, 5340F, 5350, 5360, 5370, 5380, 5390, 5395, 5410, 5410P, 5412, 5413, 5420, 5420P with changes notes. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objections, and the motion was approved on a 4-0 vote.

New Business

- A. Director Tappia Infanger moved to the science field trip to the greenbelt. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion was approved on a 4-0 vote.
- B. The first reading of policies 5440, 5450, 5460, 5470, 5480, 5500, 5500P, 5600, 5610, 5700, 5710, 5725 and 5730 was conducted.
- C. Director Tappia Inganger moved to approve the music bid as chosen by the orchestra teacher and admin. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion was approved on a 4-0 vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Tappia Infanger to adjourn at 4:40 pm. Director Eliza Ruys seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Lords
Board Clerk