

MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 22, 2024

Chairman Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6 pm with Roll Call. Directors Anderson, Dumas, Huffaker, Wheeler and Van Beek were in attendance. Directors Balch and Gregg were absent due to scheduling conflicts.

Motion to approve the agenda by Director Huffaker. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

BOARD BUSINESS

Senior Project Presentation

Christine Baron presented the Capstone program and showed how this Senior program has evolved from a business planning project to a service-based project which will involve making local business connections and community networking additionally having an adult mentor to help with their project. Four seniors presented their project that is focused on doing service for North Star community and the communities around North Star. They are planning to do 300 hours of service by the end of the year. Ms. Baron invited the Board to visit when students' presentations are presented later in the year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to move into Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1a) by Director Van Beek at 6:17 pm. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor motion passes.

Roll Call: Huffaker-yes, Dumas-yes, Wheeler-yes, Anderson-yes, Van Beek-yes

Motion to adjourn Executive Session by Director Van Beek at 7:24 pm. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

After Executive Session item a

Motion to accept the resignation of employee A effective 10-10-24 by Director Anderson. Second by Director Huffaker. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

BOARD BUSINESS CONTINUES

Head of School/Principal Reports

Shay Davis gave a quick report on the 5th grade leadership program that includes Morning Announcements, office aides, and students helping with peer tutoring in the younger grades. Justin Durflinger reported how the new and older teachers are getting comfortable with their

Middle School and the changes that were put into place were successful. The new approach allows the teachers to present a collaborate group working for each student's success. A new addition to the PLCs (Professional Learning Collaboration) is the 5th grade team is meeting with the 6th grade team to better support the students as they make the transition from 5th to 6th.

Review of Grievance Policy

Andy walked through the grievance policy that will help the board if they are approached outside of board meeting by a parent/stakeholder who would like to discuss a grievance. The policy committee will be working on a policy that will address patron participation at a board meeting.

No action, no vote taken.

Audit Review

Kurt Folke reviewed the audit and gave a summary of what occurred during the audit. His report showed that North Star did not have any reports of noncompliance. Also, the operating reserves are good. State and Federal funds are behaving as expected. The board asked questions in which Jonathan Gillen addressed and also advised the board on the good progress of the school financials.

Jonathan also gave a review of the Financial Condition Statement which will be posted in the newspaper per state requirements.

Motion to approve item a-Quest Audit, b-990 Tax Return, and c-Governance Letter as been explained under Board Business item D by Director Dumas. Second by Director Huffaker. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to approve item d-Statement of Financial Condition as presented by Director Dumas. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Committee Updates

Finance-the Finance Committee met and reviewed the entire audit package. Jonathan stated that he will have other financial statements for the next board meeting. Committee has been also talking about the different Bonds and future goals for reducing the debt.

Academic Excellence

Shay Davis reported that the Academic Excellence committee met and started reviewing the purpose of the committee. Their goals will include understanding the scope and sequence of curriculum and how teachers at North Star are using the curriculum and finding ways to bring more affordable professional development programs to teachers in need. The committee is preparing November 13th to be a Board Visit Day. The board will observe classrooms for both elementary and secondary. They will have an opportunity to eat lunch with a group of students. The board requested an opportunity to see the class paras and teachers collaborating and to see what tools are being used online using the new Aquos board that have recently been installed.

Strategic Planning

Andy Horning reported that the strategic planning is looking at moving forward with more marketing. Annual fundraising will be launched November 1st with a goal of \$120K received donations. The committee has simplified the fundraising opportunities to only three areas: facility, classroom support and greatest need.

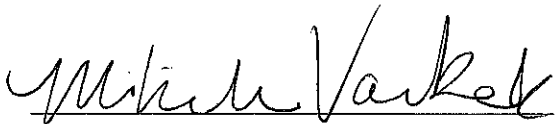
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Huffaker.

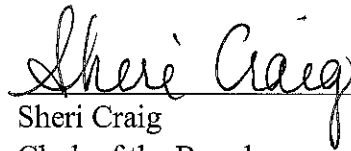
Discussion: There was a contract with the incorrect date which will be fixed.

Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to adjourn by Director Anderson at 7:50 pm. Second by Director Huffaker. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.



Michelle Van Beek
Vice Chair of the Board



Sheri Craig
Clerk of the Board