

Anser Charter School Community Board

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, April 17, 2018

Date/time: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 Started: 6:00 PM Ended: 7:20 PM
Location: Anser Charter School
Purpose/notes: Regular scheduled meeting
Chaired by: Nichoel Baird Spencer
Minuted rec. by: Michelle Dunstan
Status: Minutes drafted

Attendance

Present: Nichoel Baird Spencer, Heidi Bauer, Leslie Brown, Christina Bruce-Bennion, Maggie Chase, Michelle Dunstan, Barry Human, Tiffany Keeley, Maridee Lemieux, Jennica Navarro, Stacy Slattery, Angie Temple
Regrets: Lora Breen, Brian Coffey, Heather Dennis, Brenda Marosvari, Christine Pisani, Staci Shaw

Meeting documents

- April Board Report.pdf
- EdReportApril2018.pdf
- Goals page from Continuous Improvement Plan.pdf
- Mar 2018 Board Rep.pdf
- Minutes-2018-03-20-v1.pdf

Agenda

1. Anser's Mission

1.1. Anser's Mission and Vision

Anser's mission is to educate the whole child in a collaborative learning community where individuals are inspired to achieve their academic potential, be self-motivated and feel a sense of connection and responsibility to the world.

Anser's vision is to foster learning that imagines a better world and works toward realizing it; set high academic standards; promote creativity, discovery, reflection and balance; embrace diversity; and use developmentally appropriate practices and real-world experiences to educate within a climate of collaboration, community, character, and compassion.

Status: Completed

2. Standing Items

2.1. Introductions

There were no introductions.

Status: Completed

2.1.1. Hooray for Anser

The entire Junior High did a fieldwork trip to the site of the Minidoka Internment Camp and to Craters of the Moon. The trip was an enriching and rewarding experience for students, parents and staff. 5 Anser alumni were recognized as Rotary Scholars. Anser's BSU interns will be returning to Anser. Anser JH did very well at the Science Olympiad, placing 4th in many events despite our small school size. ISATS are underway.

Status: Completed

2.1.1.1. Review and Approve the Agenda and the Minutes of the Prior Meeting

Approve the minutes of the March 20th Board Meeting and the agenda.

Angie Temple moved to approve the agenda and approve the minutes of the March 20th meeting. Christina Bruce Bennion seconded the motion. Approved.

Status: Completed

3. Financial Resources

3.1. Finance Committee Report

Approve the March 2018 Budget Report

Update on Budget Work

Maridee presented the March Budget Summary Report and reviewed the budgets of AAYC and the lunch program. Leslie Brown made a motion to accept the March Budget Report. Maggie Chase seconded the motion. Approved.

Maridee discussed the need to replace the playground equipment earlier than anticipated.

An update on property acquisition included that the Phase 1 Environmental Study had been completed. All of Anser's due diligence items have been completed and closing is scheduled for some time around May 19th.

Status: Completed

4. Academics

4.1. School Activities

Update on School activities for the remainder of the year

Hiring Update

Michelle reviewed the Education Report and the upcoming events throughout the school including Exhibition Nights, service projects and ISATS. The recently updated hiring process was discussed and recruitment for current openings was discussed.

Status: Completed

5. Integrity of the Organization

5.1. Strategic Planning Process

Review the process for developing the Continuous Improvement Plan

Discuss Committee progress on 2017-2018 goals.

Committees were asked to meet one more time before the end of the school year. When they meet they were asked to consider what they are doing to maintain the integrity of their processes, what they have accomplished this year and what their goals are for next year. Outcomes for the next meeting.

Status: Completed

5.2. Board Recruitment

Review Board Terms of members and discuss recruitment of new members

Board terms of service were reviewed and recruitment was discussed. Members were asked to consider who they know in their personal and professional lives that might like to serve on the committees or on the board. The expertise the Board needs was discussed.

Status: Completed

6. Vision for Anser

6.1. Update on Visioning Work

Update on Visioning work and suggested timeline for the work of 2018-2019

Michelle led the board through a gallery walk of the outcome of the Visioning Process with teachers. They reviewed the draft process the faculty envision to develop more opportunities for student choice, differentiation, service, adventure in Junior High. A final timeline will be brought to the May meeting and then communicated out to families.

Status: Completed
