

Anser Charter School Community Board

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, October 16, 2018

Date/time: Tuesday, October 16, 2018 Started: 6:00 PM Ended: 7:30 PM
Location: Anser Charter School
Purpose/notes: Regular scheduled meeting
Chaired by: Lora Breen
Minuted rec. by: Heather Dennis
Status: Minutes drafted

Attendance

Present: Nichoel Baird Spencer, Heidi Bauer, Lora Breen, Leslie Brown, Christina Bruce-Bennion, Heather Dennis, Michelle Dunstan, Barry Human, AnnMarie Johnson, Maridee Lemieux, Caitlyn Scales, Staci Shaw, Nancy Tacke, Angie Temple, Jeff Tonkin, Amy York
Regrets: Maggie Chase, Tiffany Keeley

Meeting documents

- Board Report October 2018.pdf
- EdReportOct2018.pdf
- Minutes-2018-09-18-v2.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

Status: Completed

2.1.1. Hooray for Anser

The first 3 service projects for the 20th Anniversary Celebration are underway. The Junior High Fall Adventure Trip was a success. Kelly Selvage led all of the 2/3 students and their new Crew Leaders in taking on a new adventure/fieldwork opportunity where they partnered with the Native Plant Society and the Idaho Bird Observatory.

4/5 is going to Celebration Park. Dolly's final product of student poetry and writing on the Minidoka Internment Camp was selected to be a part of the EL Models of Excellence archive. The books also being used by Minidoka officials in teacher

education about the camp.

Status: Completed

2.1.1.1. Review and Approve the Agenda and the Minutes of the Prior Meeting (Action Item)

Review and approve the minutes of the September 18th, 2018 meeting and approve the agenda.

Nichoel Baird Spencer made a motion to approve the minutes of the 9/18/18 meeting and the agenda as presented. Leslie Brown seconded the motion. Approved.

Status: Completed

3. Integrity of the Organization

3.1. Declare Hiring Emergency (Action Item)

Declare Hiring emergency for certain positions for the 18-19 school year.

Discussion was had related to positions for which a staff person was hired or is continuing in a position for which Anser will have to seek Provisional Certification. Nichoel Baird Spencer moved and AnnMarie Johnson seconded the motion to declare a hiring emergency for the following positions: 2nd-3rd Grade Crew Leader, CBC/Electives Instructor, 3rd-4th grade Math Teacher and 7th-9th grade Math teacher. Approved.

Status: Completed

3.2. Update from Committees on progress on Continuous Improvement Plan goals

Review of CIP goals for 2018-2019

Update from committees on progress toward their goals.

The Governance Committee met via email and is completing the Organization Director Evaluation. Finance Committee will be jumping into their work at the next meeting. The Continuous Improvement Committee met and discussed alumni feedback and putting a plan in place to connect with them. Caitlyn will take over as Chair of the Continuous Improvement Committee. Resource Development Committee created action steps on education stakeholders of funding needs and the reasons Anser does fundraising, the 20th Anniversary Board Project, and Facility Planning. Family Council is doing a big push for the Harvest Party and discussing whether there should be more procedures in place for Family Council.

Status: Completed

4. Vision for Anser

4.1. Update on the Visioning Work

The work of the Visioning Team will be shared, opportunities for funding of new programs/facility upgrades to be discussed.

Michelle and Heather gave an update on the work of the Visioning Committee. They highlighted the work the committee has done to identify areas to address, resources to seek in support of this work, schools and networks staff have visited or connected with and next steps for the Visioning Committee work.

Status: Completed
