

Anser Charter School Community Board

Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Date/time: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 Started: 6:00 PM Ended: 7:30 PM
Location: Anser Charter School
Purpose/notes: Regular scheduled meeting

Chaired by: Heather Dennis
Minuted rec. by: Heather Dennis
Status: Minutes drafted

Attendance

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

Meeting documents

- Budget Development Schedule FY20.pdf
- Minutes-2018-12-18.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

Junior High Students are working with the Wassmuth Center for human Rights Education Center to develop projects o change the world. Junior High Students have made and delivered over 1700 sandwiches to Interfaith Sanctuary. Junior High report cards are complete. Winter IRI testing has been going well. Staff took part in the EL Mid Year Review process and the Winter Grit session of CBC has begun.

Status: Completed

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

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

Maggie Chase made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 18th, 2018 and approve the agenda. Angie Temple seconded the motion. Approved.

Status: Completed

2.2. Staff Announcement

A Staff member will present information to the Board of Directors.

Junior High Founding Teacher Kelly McLeod announced that she is retiring from the classroom at the end of this school year. Kelly was part of Anser from the very first year. She founded and grew the Junior High program teaching both Math and Science. Kelly expressed that the founders of Anser had great wisdom in understanding the importance of parents and their role in a school's success. The Board of Directors expressed their deep gratitude for all of Kelly's years of service, her vision, her care for students and the exemplary education she provided them.

Status: Completed

3. Financial Resources

3.1. Finance Committee Report (Action Item)

Review and Approve the December 2018 Budget Report (Action Item)

Approve the FY20 Budget Development Calendar (Action Item)

Update and possible action on Facility Planning for adjacent property. (Action Item)

Maridee presented the December 2018 Budget Report for review. Leslie Brown moved to accept the report as presented. AnnMarie Johnson seconded the motion. Approved.

The Budget Development Calendar was reviewed for FY20. Leslie Brown a motion to approve the FY 20 Budget Development Calendar and Staci Shaw seconded the motion. Approved.

Jeff Tonkin gave an update on what process would need to happen to be able to use the adjacent property Anser acquired. A discussion was had on the pros and cons of different uses of the property. Jeff will seek additional information from Garden City and bring that information back to the Board for further discussion. No action was taken.

Status: Completed

4. Academics

4.1. Upcoming Parent Survey

Michelle will share information about the Parent Survey that will be required each year as part of Idaho's accountability plan.

Michelle informed the Board of Directors that a parent survey would be given this year as part of the state mandated testing process. The parent survey, along with a student survey, is used in conjunction with test scores to rate public schools in Idaho.

Status: Completed

5. Integrity of the Organization

5.1. Approve the 2019-2020 Calendar (Action Item)

Approve the Academic Calendar for the 2019-2020 School year.(Action Item)

The 2019-2020 Calendar was reviewed. AnnMarie Johnson made a motion to approve the calendar as presented. Maridee Lemieux seconded the motion. Approved.

Status: Completed

6. Vision for Anser

6.1. Visioning Update

Update on Visioning Committee work

Next steps in developing processes to support the Visioning Work

Michelle shared some of the work of the Visioning Committee related to the schedule, electives and other areas of focus. She discussed next steps of the Visioning Committee. A discussion was had related to the administrative structure and changes that may be needed to support the long term Visioning Work.

Status: Completed
