

# Anser Charter School Community Board

## Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, June 11, 2019

**Date/time:** Tuesday, June 11, 2019 Started: 5:30 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:** Lora Breen, Maggie Chase, Heather Dennis, Michelle Dunstan, AnnMarie Johnson, Tiffany Keeley, Maridee Lemieux, Caitlyn Scales, Staci Shaw, Jeff Tonkin, Amy York

**Regrets:** Nichoel Baird Spencer, Leslie Brown, Nancy Tacke

**Invited guests:** Heidi Bauer (present), Marc Carignan (present), Patrick Connor (present), Barry Human (regrets), Tom Porter (present), Terry Ryan (present), Jeremiah Shinn (regrets), Angie Temple (regrets)

### Meeting documents

- Anser Board ballot 2019-20 .pdf
- budgpub053019.pdf
- Leadership Pathways 2019-2020.pdf
- Minutes-2019-05-21.pdf
- New School Naming BOARD REVIEW.pdf

### Agenda

## 1. Anser's Mission

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### 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.

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## 2. Standing Items

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### 2.1. Charter Information Session

From 5:30pm-6:00pm representatives from Building Hope will present information related to charter facilities construction and financing in Idaho,.

Tom Porter and Patrick Connor of Building Hope presented information for the board related to charter school facilities. They reviewed projects they have been involved in, gave information to the board members on timelines for acquisition, permits,

building, general information on costs associated with building and how Building Hope supports charter schools through such processes.

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## 2.2. Introductions

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### 2.2.1. Hooray for Anser

The celebration of Anser's 20th year was a success. Michelle is excited to attend the Mastery Based Education Conference and bring back more information for board and staff members and join the network. Teaching staff had a very successful Summer Institute. An Anser Alumni was the Gold Medal winner in the National Scholastic essay contest. Board members who were able to attend the 8th grade graduation said they found it very inspiring.

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#### 2.2.1.1. Review and Approve the Agenda and the Minutes of the Prior Meeting

Maridee Lemieux moved to approve the agenda and the minutes as presented with small grammatic edits noted. Amy York seconded the motion. Approved.

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## 3. Vision for Anser

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### 3.1. Beyond20 Update

Board conversation with Bluum regarding avenues to meet Anser's future growth goals.

Consider names for the K-5 school. A final vote on the name will occur at the June 18th, 2019 meeting.

Terry Ryan and Marc Carignan from Bluum spoke with the Board regarding the support Bluum is providing throughout Anser's growth process, helped the Board review the advantages of replicating under a new charter, or replicating/expanding under the existing charter. They outlined the typical financial support offered by the J.A. and Kathryn Albertson Family Foundation for the schools they work with.

The Board then reviewed the names for a second campus that had been generated during a naming session facilitated by board member Jeremiah Shinn, and attended by Board members, parents and staff. Board members were asked to review the names and be prepared to vote for one at the June 18th board meeting.

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## 4. Financial Resources

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### 4.1. Public Hearing on the Budget

Presentation of the FY20 Budget for review, and for public comment.

Staci Shaw made a motion to open the public hearing on the FY 20 budget. Amy York seconded the motion. Approved. The hearing began at 7:46pm. Maridee Lemieux reviewed the budget and line items with the board of directors. She asked if anyone from the public would like to comment. There were no comments. Caitlyn Scales made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:53pm. Heidi Bauer seconded the motion. Approved. The public hearing of the FY 20 budget was ended.

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## 4.2. Approve Contracts

Approve 2019-2020 Contract for R. Heathcock and A. Lauer.

It was noted on the agenda that "Action Item" had not been listed, for this agenda item. As a result the board could not take a vote, and the approval of contracts will be added to the June 18th, 2019 agenda.

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## 5. Academics

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### 5.1. Review Pathways to Leadership Document

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Michelle reviewed the Pathways to Leadership document which delineates how Anser will distribute Leadership Premiums and which staff will be receiving one. The Board was asked to review the document and be prepared to vote on its approval at the June 18th meeting.

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## 6. Integrity of the Organization

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### 6.1. Nominate Officers of the Board and New Members

Nominations accepted for Board President, Vice President and Treasurer and any new members elected by the Board of Directors.

Maridee Lemieux nominated the slate of candidates for officers and the new board members as followed:

President- Nichoel Baird Spencer

Vice President- Caitlyn Scales

Treasurer- Maridee Lemieux

New member: Patricia Day.

So nominated the vote to approve the candidates will be held at the June 18th meeting.

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