

Advantage Academy of Pinellas, Inc.
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2020

Present at Meeting

Patricia Rogers, Board Chair
Jeff Undestad, Board Member
Craig Dolan, Board Member
Dr. Nguyen, Board Member
Linda Schwerer, Principal
Mike Strader, Charter School Associates, Inc.
Brian Strader, Charter School Associates, Inc.
Jill Balthazar, Charter School Associates, Inc.
Jay Drag, Charter School Associates, Inc.
Ken Green, Charter School Associates, Inc.
Tiffani Richmond

A. Opening Exercises

Meeting called to order at 1:09 pm by Mrs. Patricia Rogers.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Rogers asked if there were any changes to the meeting minutes from February 6, 2020. There being no changes, Mrs. Rogers asked for a motion to approve the minutes as prepared. Mr. Undestad motioned to approve the minutes and Mr. Dolan seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed unanimously.

B. Public Comment

Mrs. Rogers asked if any person present would like to speak under the Public Comments section of the agenda. No members of the public requested to speak.

C. Principal's Report

Ms. Schwerer delivered her Principal's report commenting on the many activities taking place at the school including celebrating teacher appreciation week and virtual completion ceremonies.

D. Information Items

1. Mr. Strader presented the monthly financial report(s) for the preceding months to the board and reminded the Board the financial report is distributed monthly. Any questions regarding financials may be directed to Jeannette Merced. The financial reports will need to be ratified at each board meeting moving forward in order to stay in compliance with the district.
2. Ms. Richmond discussed the possibility of the flexible learning option when school reopens. The school may expand the current program using the RISE model.
3. Mr. Green discussed the framework to school reopening using RISE – Restarting Through Innovative, Sustainable Education.
4. Mr. Strader discussed the Agreement to Earn and Teacher Certification expirations extension approved by the State. The State is allowing extra time for the teachers listed to satisfy the requirements, Exhibit B.

5. Mr. Strader introduced amendments and changes to the Threat Assessment Policy and Mental Health Plan and asked approval of same to be included in consent items.
6. Brian Strader discussed the annual process of auditor selection and the auditor engagement letter.
7. Mr. Strader discussed the FY 21 Budget.
 - 6a. Mr. Strader discussed the offer letter distributed to faculty. If legislation keeps the budget intact offer letters will be amended as necessary.
8. Mr. Strader presented the recommended instructional materials to the board for approval.
9. Brian Strader discussed the technology device loaner agreement given to parents when they received a school issued laptop for virtual learning.
10. Mr. Green discussed the Pinellas County School Board Mental Health Services opt-in agreement. The school will opt-in this year but will revisit the agreement for next year.
11. Mr. Drag discussed the uniform extension and using the old logo uniform shirts until it is depleted.
12. Mr. Strader updated the board on 2019-2020 teacher waivers, Exhibit A.
13. Brian Strader discussed the Paycheck Protection Program under the CARES Act. Application was made on behalf of Advantage Academy of Pinellas, Inc. The resolutions are included in the board documents for approval.

E. Consent Agenda Items

Approve monthly financials.

1. Ratify Purchase Orders and Agreements.
2. Approve flexible learning Model, RISE and request for charter amendment.
3. Ratify FY20 Audit Engagement.
4. Approve FY21 Budget.
5. Approve of Personnel Items – Waivers, Exhibit A, if any.
6. Approve Agreement to Earn and Teacher Certifications expiring, Exhibit B.
7. Approve recommended instructional materials, K-5; 6-12 and advanced.
8. Ratify student technology device – loaner agreement.
9. Ratify PPP including promissory note.
10. Ratify PCSB-PAMS Opt-In Selection, Mental Health Services.
11. Approve amendments and changes to the Threat Assessment Policy and Mental Health Plan.
12. Ratify document to establish an escrow account.

Mrs. Rogers reviewed the consent items and asked the board for a motion to approve the consent items as presented. Mr. Undestad made a motion to approve the consent items and Mr. Dolan seconded. The items passed unanimously.

F. Items Scheduled for Discussion and Action

none

G. Board Member Reports

none

H. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Patricia Rogers

Approved by

6/10/2020

Date