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HCCS Board Meeting [Idaho Code § 67-2342]

Heritage Community Charter School, Caldwell, Idaho Heritage Community Charter School Board of Directors **Tuesday May 22, 2012 6:30 pm** 1803 East Ustick Rd. Caldwell, ID 83607

Agenda

- 1. **Call Meeting to Order** Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.
- 2. **Roll Call Attendance** Strikwerda, Hammond, MacDonald and Gregory in attendance. McRae and Klauss absent.
- 3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** By Invitation Led by Chairman Hammond **HCCS Mission:** Read by parent attendee

The Mission of Heritage Community Charter School is to create an atmosphere of mutual respect where students feel safe and are challenged to become their best selves as they develop a curiosity and love of learning that will continue throughout their lives and prepares them for post-secondary education, careers, and service in their communities as well educated leaders who desire to preserve a democratic society and who act with integrity and character.

4. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Strikwerda to amend agenda to include discussion regarding board terms. Seconded by MacDonald. All aye, motion carried.

Motion by Strikwerda to approve agenda as amended. MacDonald seconded. All aye, motion carried.

5. **Approve Board Meeting minutes**: March 27, April 5, April 24 and May 9, 2012 – Strikwerda moved to approve meeting minutes. Seconded by MacDonald. All aye. Motion carried.

6. **Board Discussion**

a. Financial Reports:

Discussion about enrollment numbers. Problems with Academica West contract and incorrect data. Need to look into the contract and may want to change to handling all applications at the school instead.

Discussion about the effectiveness of the high school program.

Lottery results: All classes are full, with waiting lists (361+ on the waiting list). Request to look into two pools for the lottery, one for English, one for Spanish.

Financial reports were sent to the Board a week prior to the meeting. 474 ADA is what the original budget was based on and used by the State for its estimated payments. Payroll is the biggest challenge to the budget right now.

b. Lockers: Lockers in storage are in bad shape – need new lockers. MacDonald moved to table to the July meeting. Gregory seconded. All aye, motion carried.

Mr. Buck recommended a gratuity or thank you for those who helped with the lockers.

c. Pink slip proposal: Comments from parent re bullying. Wanted to know what "zero tolerance" meant. Jean Taylor would like to modify policy so that tarried do not result in pink slips, but would equal community service. Mr. Buck has already implemented the change.

MacDonald moved to table so that the policy can be reviewed over the summer. Strikwerda seconded. All aye, motion carried.

- d. Update on Federal Grant: Financial audits on grant went very well. Grant is on track to submit June 4, before the June 6 deadline.
- e. Class schedule to include AP classes/Additional staff: School is blessed to have very skilled staff. Elementary need K, 1, 4 (2), and 5 grade teachers and 1 full-time special ed staff, art (K-12). High school need Spanish, science, logic, senior thesis, math, economics. Need to do additional research for AP science and math, may try concurrent credit. Also need a full-time counselor.
- f. Moved to later in meeting.
- g. Trey Klauss Resignation from the HCCS Board/Applications: Gregory moved to accept the resignation of T. Klauss. Strikwerda seconded. All aye, motion carried. Board listened to introductions of Barbara Hooper and John Blaisdale, two applicants for the Board.

A proposed description of board terms was presented. Strikwerda moved to approve the board terms and positions. Gregory seconded. All aye, motion carried.

- h. Summer school: There will be 8 students for summer school.
- i. Facilities/Space issues/Janitorial needs: Need two portables/four classrooms. The janitor also needs a place to work/store tools. Need to increase landscape contract to mow more grass.
- f. Preliminary ISAT test scores. Continued from above. Mrs. Taylor reviewed the

preliminary ISAT test scores. Final scores will come at the end of May.

- j. Meeting with Idaho Charter Commission. Discussion of assignments for the Commission meeting.
- k. Policy for founder status for teachers, administrators and staff. Strikwerda moved to clarify that teachers, administrators and staff under contract at the time of the lottery receive preference at the lottery. MacDonald seconded. All aye, motion carried.

7. Business

- a. Student survey results: Board reviewed the student survey.
- b. Bonding of the building: MacDonald moved to table to a future meeting. Strikwerda seconded. All aye, motion carried.
- c. Update Archie Buck's contract/contract extensions: Strikwerda moved to modify Mr. Buck's contract to 220 days. Gregory seconded. All aye, motion carried.
- d. 9:12 MacDonald moved to enter executive session pursuant to I.C. §67-2345(1)(b). Strikwerda seconded. Gregory aye, MacDonald aye, Hammond aye, Strikwerda aye. All aye, motion carried.
- 9:49 Strikwerda moved to close executive session. MacDonald seconded. All aye, motion carried. Executive session ended at 9:49.
- c. Strikwerda moved to approve contract extensions for Ms. Mullanix, Ms. Taylor, and Ms. Finley to conduct necessary year-end tasks. MacDonald seconded. All aye, motion carried.

8. **Board Training**

9. Adjournment

Strikwerda moved to table board training and adjourn. MacDonald seconded. All aye, motion carried.

9:54 Meeting adjourned.