

**Ascent Academies of Utah
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, December 15, 2014**



Location: 290 N. Flint Street, Kaysville, UT 84037

In Attendance: Mike Ostermiller, Kathy Thornburg, Tyler Schvaneveldt, Trudy Sorensen

Excused: Stuart Adams

Others in Attendance: Chris Bleak (Executive Director), Sheldon Killpack (AW), Brandon Fairbanks (AW), Brad Taylor (AW), Kim Dohrer (AW), Kara Finley (AW)

Ascent Academies of Utah's network of schools utilizes the Schoolwide Enrichment Model to build a strong educational foundation and to provide an enriching, individualized and varied educational experience to all students.

MINUTES

3:08 PM – CALL TO ORDER by Mike Ostermiller

CONSENT ITEMS

- **Board Meeting Minutes**
Trudy Sorensen made a motion to approve the October 30, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes; Tyler Schvaneveldt seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comments were made.

REPORTS

- **Executive Director Update**
Chris Bleak reviewed the re-enrollment numbers for the 2015-2016 school year and the campuses are overall already 93% full. The campuses are going to be doing the SAGE mid-year assessments as well as satisfaction surveys. The Confratute Training and campus-wide Summer Enrichment Activities was discussed to provide the highest caliber training to as many staff members as possible. The campuses are fundraising for sound systems and have earned most of the money. The Lehi campus location and city approval is underway and the first Informational Meeting is tomorrow.

VOTING ITEMS

- **Human Sexuality Curriculum and Presenter**
The maturation and human sexuality curriculum and presenters, including the review committee makeup, were provided to the Board.

Kathy Thornburg made a motion to approve the Human Sexuality Curriculum and Presenter; Trudy Sorensen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Pest Management Policy**

Kim Dohrer reviewed the policy based on recent legislation and the outline of pest control to ensure community safety.

Kathy Thornburg made a motion to approve the Pest Management Policy; Trudy Sorensen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **School Land Trust Plans, Budget, & Purchases**

Chris Bleak provided the Board with a brief of the School Land Trust Plan and the ability for schools in the first year to be allocated funding. The committees have decided to use the funding to purchase personal computing devices, flat screen monitors, and training/conferences. The personal computing devices will be distributed school wide. Mike Ostermiller disclosed his relationship with Apple.

Tyler Schvaneveldt disclosed his relationship with ETS and abstained from the discussion and vote on ETS purchases.

Kathy Thornburg made a motion to approve the School Land Trust Plans, Budget, & Purchases (including ETS purchases); Trudy Sorensen seconded. Motion passed unanimously, the votes were as follows:

- Mike Ostermiller – AYE
- Kathy Thornburg – AYE
- Trudy Sorensen – AYE
- Tyler Schvaneveldt – ABSTAIN

- **2015-2016 School Calendar**

Chris Bleak reviewed the proposed calendar, early out days, and professional development trainings. The calendar alignment to local school districts was evaluated in accordance to campus needs and holiday breaks.

Tyler Schvaneveldt made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 School Calendar with the ability to update as needed; Kathy Thornburg seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Action Items**

The Board is current on action items.

ADJOURN

- Trudy Sorensen made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Meeting adjourned at 3:50 PM.