

Soldier Hollow Charter School Board of Trustee Meeting

August 9, 2022

3444 West 3000 South, Heber City, Utah

(All times listed are approximate. The Board reserves the right to vote on any item on the agenda)

The Mission of Soldier Hollow Charter School is to utilize place-based education to foster autonomous, lifelong learning through knowledge of and responsibility for the environment.

Welcome (Call to order) and Roll Call: Ryan Taylor call to order 6:32pm. Tyler Partridge, Amy Lusby, David Phillips, KristiAnn Asarian, Kenzi Bennion, Rich Eccles, Samantha Hughes

Public Comment: - The public may address any issue not related to items already on the agenda. Please refer to our Public Comment at Board Meetings Policy for procedures. No public present, no questions or comments

Reports:

1. PTO (Parent Teacher Organization):

- Proposals -
- Recent events -
- PTO Fundraisers – Booster-thon,
- Future events and preparations – Planning first day of school activities

2. Financial Accountability Committee:

- Financial statement from prior Month Rich Eccles and Tyler Partridge – Finance committee met 08/09. Conflict of interest policy sent out today. Required every year. Any conflict of interest needs to be stated on the form. If a conflict exists they would recuse themselves from a vote pertaining to the conflict. Certify that the board has taken the open meetings training. 10 minute video, every 2 years. Who has done, Amy Lusby– yes, Tyler Partridge-no, Ryan Taylor - yes, KristiAnn Asarian - yes, Erin Merryweather – yes, Kenzi Bennion – no.
- July financial statement not much cash on hand. Lower because expenses for this upcoming year are higher. Financial statements for the end of year (June) are currently being audited. Board hires auditors to make sure Rich and Jamie are doing their job. Discussion of Jamie and Rich salary to be conducted in a closed session. Legislature set aside money for extra assignments from December to May. Limited funds and each school had to apply with the state in order to receive funds.

3. Construction:

- Report on arena buildout – Got plans and got them approved. Out to bid and they came in about 30% higher than expected. \$1.3M after removing everything we can remove.
- Schedule – Construction company is ready to begin as soon as we sign the contract, but we will not sign until we have the funds.
- Construction fundraising efforts – Soldier Hollow contacted us to sell water and sell merchandise at sheepdog, postcards. David in contact with Wasatch Community Foundation is responding to him; they have been busy so it is moving slow. Fritz B. Burns Foundation is a possible contributor for another \$1M. Jamie has some connections who does fundraising that will be helping us. Karl Malone as a possible contributor because of everything he does in the valley. Phase 2 won't start until end of this school year. \$300k - \$900k to complete phase 1.

4. Facilities and Transportation updates: Mike Bronson we are ready to go on everything. Old bus is gone. The people that bought it also bought other things that are still in the arena, those items are still here, we need to get rid of that stuff now. Sunday night another window was broken, don't know who did it. Is it ok for the kids to be playing wall ball against the building (structurally)? Look into building something free standing instead. Do we need to get the arena windows fixed? Maybe Plexiglas over it?

Septic system – something was growing. At the very end tank that is supposed to be clean water there is a fungus or mold growing that is going to be pumped out. Thinking that may be the source of elevated nitrogen. Permit has expired and we need to get another one.

5. Executive Committee Report: No meeting, nothing to report

6. Principal's Report:

- Academic Excellence – Early Learning Plan has been approved by the state. Specific to k-3, 2nd grade literacy goals BOY, state wanted an improvement of 8%, Math 21% computation set by the state
- Enrollment 2022/23 – 340 students enrolled
- Teachers start 8/10 – full staff. Lost 1 speech tech. 100% teacher retention. Restructured counseling position. Hire ¾ time counselor and ¼ behavior specialist (BCBA). Social emotional learning into class time daily.
- Updating website with teacher and board photos

Action Items:

- Accept the Financial report from June 2022 – Defer to September meeting due to audit.
- Accept the financial report from July 2022 – Tyler Partridge motions, Kenzi Bennion seconds, no discussion or questions, call for vote, all yes, no opposed motion carries.
- Approval of the Meeting minutes from June 28, 2022 – Erin Merryweather motions, Kenzi Bennion seconds, no discussion or questions, no opposed, motion carries
- Approve Early Learning Plan Erin Merryweather motions, Kristiann Asarian seconds, no discussion or questions, no opposed, motion carries.

Tyler Partridge motions to go to closed session to talk about the character and confidence of individuals, , Amy Lusby seconds, no opposed, move to closed session 7:39pm

Adjourn meeting:

Closed Session: Soldier Hollow Charter School reserves the right to enter into a closed executive session for one or more of the purposes outlined in §52-4-205 of the Utah Code of Open and Public Meetings Act.
