

Soldier Hollow Charter School Board of Trustee Meeting

May 16, 2023

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: (6:30pm) – 6:33pm Ryan Taylor call to order – Michael, Amy, Erin, Ryan, Tyler, KristiAnn

Public Comment: (6:35 pm)- 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.
-Congratulations on the gym, looks fantastic and well done.

Reports: (6:45 pm) Board Committees Report– Board Action may be required – (10 min)

1. PTO (Parent Teacher Organization):

- Proposals -
- Recent events -
- Fundraisers -
- Future events and preparations – Looking for volunteers for field day. 26th 9am-noon

2. Financial Accountability Committee: (15 min)

- Financial statement from prior Month Rich Eccles and Tyler Partridge – Committee meeting today. Everything good for hitting budget for EOY. 72 days COH currently. Trending well. Projected results haven't changed much. Paid some legal invoices for the year, that increased, but overall still positive for the year.
- FY24 Budget Hearing – Proposed budget for next year. Current budget surplus of approx. \$12k. Increase to teacher salaries next year where the increases will happen as well as Director and Asst. Director which we didn't have for the full year this year. Expected enrollment means putting money away and bonuses for teachers. Budgeted for just under 300 (conservative). But every student over that is almost \$8000 per child. Very conservative budget.
- Possible lease agreement. At least one person interested in leasing the new gym space during the summer. The more people that see the area the better the retention and incoming enrollment. One group that has reached out is the Heber Valley Martial Arts. Must have insurance and Soldier Hollow Charter School is named on that insurance.

3. Facilities and Transportation updates: Mike Bronson

- Landscaping - water out to the garden, planted milkweed.
- got rid of doors approx. \$400 apiece. Acoustic panels up. Flooring came today. Flooring will be delayed, sit for 3-4 days to acclimate. Concrete is still too wet, and if we put the floor down now it will void the warranty. Do the rest of the things prior to putting the floor down.
- Overall on budget within \$10-15k of budget.

4. Capital Fundraising – (15 min)

- School field trips- fundraised monies
- Wish List for the school/School Projects
- Fundraiser for names on bleachers.

- Preparing a letter of thank you to Fritz B. Burns Foundation.

5. Academic Excellence - (10 min) Dave – RISE scores looking strong. Students performing well above average in almost every subject and grade. Kinder doing state testing KEEP this week and specials testing reading and math Acadience. Focus on math next year. Goal for teachers in instructional improvement. Working with NEUS to design instructional goals.

6. Executive Committee Report: (10 min)

- Policy updates/changes- nothing to report
- Meeting will need to go into closed session to go over Directors salary
- Elections – Voting started today and will close Sunday. Amy Lusby sent out. 2 open positions. Announce the last week. Access to the number of votes after the election.

6. Report: (Board action may be required) (20 min)

- Director – Plugging along with hiring. We have teaching spots we are trying to fill in K and 5th and school counselor. Sarah's position will be posted for next year. She is not returning. PE position. Assistant Director position posted. Pushed out in house for any interested on staff. And pushed out to those who applied for Director position.
- Numbers are looking good, retention is strong. If everything where to hold we would be at 357. Waiting lists in every class except 2nd, 7th, and 8th. Hard deadline of July 1st for new students.
- Assistant Director –
- Special Ed Director –

Action Items:

- Accept the Financial report from April – Tyler Partridge motions, Erin Merryweather seconds, no questions all in favor, motion carries
- Approval of the Meeting minutes from prior months Erin Merryweather to approve land trust and April meeting minutes Michael Thorwegen seconds, no questions, all in favor, motion passes.
- Approval of possible Policy Updates/Changes – none
- Motion for the director, with approval from the board to approve rental of arena space to the public Erin Merryweather motions, Amy Lusby seconds, no questions all in favor, motion passes.
- Possible approval requests form and permit for 3rd party facility use

Motion to go into closed session by Erin Merryweather for Salary negotiations and legal Michael Thorwegen, Amy Lusby, Erin Merryweather, Ryan Taylor, Tyler Partridge, KristiAnn Asarian

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.
