

Syracuse Arts Academy Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 15, 2010



Place: Syracuse Arts Academy Jr. High Auditorium, 2965 W. 1700 S., Syracuse, UT 84075

In Attendance: Tonney Kaw-uh, Dawn Kawaguchi (AW), Jan Whimpey (Principal), Cameron Almond, Andrea Larkin, David Hall (Board Advisor), Brittani Brown, Gavin Hutchinson (AW), and Chris Dallin

The purpose of Syracuse Arts Academy is to develop respectful, confident citizens in a solid educational environment enriched by artistic expression.

Minutes

6:22 PM - Call to Order

- Welcome by Chris Dallin

CONSENT ITEMS – *Andrea Larkin made a motion to approve the consent items. Cameron Almond seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

- Approve March 12, 2010 Work Session Minutes
- Approve March 12, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes
- Accept March 12, 2010 Closed Session Affidavit
- Accept 2009-2010 Budget as of March 31, 2010

BUSINESS ITEMS - (To Be Voted Upon)

- Vote on landscaping for Jr. High field – Brittani Brown made a motion to sod landscaping for the Jr. High field. Tonney Kaw-uh seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Vote on Joint Use Agreement with Syracuse City – Cameron Almond made a motion to approve the Joint Use Agreement with Syracuse City. Andrea Larkin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Vote on Parent and Teacher survey questions – Brittani Brown made a motion to approve the Parent and Teacher Survey questions. Andrea Larkin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Andrea Larkin made a motion to arm Brittani Brown to approve any changes with the survey on behalf of the Board. Tonney Kaw-uh seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote with Brittani Brown abstaining.
- Vote on Parent Compact - Andrea Larkin made a motion to table both the Parent Compact and LEA Parent Involvement Policy until they have a chance to review further. Brittani Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Vote on LEA Parent Involvement Policy – See above
- Vote on Deep Dive Committee Board Representative – Tonney Kaw-uh made a motion to appoint Andrea Larkin to chair the committee as it relates to the lunch room. Cameron Almond seconded the motion. Motion passes with a majority vote with Andrea Larkin abstaining.

PUBLIC COMMENT - (Items Not on the Agenda - Limit 3 Minutes)

Public comment was made by Tricia Roundy, Jason Valez, and Amy Fowers,

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Traditions “Storytelling” – David Hall told a story about one of SAA’s teachers, Mrs. Reidford, that won Teacher Feature KSL Newsradio and Zions Bank sponsors the “Teacher Feature”.

Cameron Almond made a motion to go into a closed session. Tonney Kaw-uh seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION – To discuss an individual’s character, professional competence, or physical or mental health

8:36 p.m. – Andrea Larkin made a motion to come out of Closed Board Session and return to the Board Meeting. Brittani Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS - (Continued)

- *Vote on direction of Administration*
- Andrea Larkin made a motion to separate administrative responsibility of the school by buildings and begin an immediate search for an additional administrator responsible for the K-4 building at which time Mrs. Whimpey will take administrative responsibility for the 5-9 building. Tonney Kaw-uh seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Tonney Kaw-uh made a motion to create a new administration position that will serve as a business operations manager to begin fiscal year 2010-2011. Brittani Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Jan Whimpey is on administrative leave effective immediately for two weeks. We will email out the board’s actions though the list serve similar to what has been said. She will be returning to work on May 3rd. In Jan’s absence, Tia Shaw will serve as the administrator in Jan’s absence with the Board and Academica West’s help. Julie Nielson will get instructions as well since we have a Title 1 audit coming up. We will get a substitute for her on the day of the audit.

ADJOURN – 8:40 p.m. Cameron Almond made a motion to adjourn. Brittani Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.