

Syracuse Arts Academy
Board Meeting
March 22, 2006

Place: Academica West Offices; 1 West, 100 South; Kaysville, UT

The purpose of Syracuse Arts Academy is to develop respectful, confident citizens through utilizing an educational environment enriched by artistic expression.

MINUTES

Chris Dallin, Andrea Larkin, Charlene Nelson, Jennie Bair and Jan Whimpey

Others: Catina Martinez-Hadley, Jed Stevenson, Cody Powers, Jason Bowles

3:45 P.M. – Call to order – Andrea Larkin

Consent Calendar:

- Approve Minutes for February – Charlene made a motion to approve the minutes. Andrea second. Motion carried.

Information Items:

- Enrollment Update (5 min.) Andrea Larkin – Part B of Lottery has been completed. They are in the process of accepting completed registration packets.
- Hiring/Contract – Progress and Next Steps (5 min.) Jan Whimpey – Jan has been busy interviewing candidates. She would like to hire at least four cornerstone teachers who are experienced. Charlene and Jenny volunteered to help with interviews.
- Building Update – (5 min.) Jed Stevenson – Permits have all been obtained, and the contractor has been selected through a bid process. A final permit is expected sometime this week.

Action Items:

- Principal Report (5 min.) Jan
 - Jan talked about coordinating with the district to inform them of enrollment.
 - Mission/Purpose Statement – Charlene made a motion to make changes to the mission statement. Andrea second. Motion carried. Mission statement now states: *“Syracuse Arts Academy develops respectful, confident citizens through utilizing an educational environment enriched by artistic expression.”*
 - Uniforms – Jan would like to table a motion on the uniform policy, until it can be clarified. – Agenda Item for next month.

- Jan would like to use the Davis Lunch program the first year and then explore different options for the future.
- Benefits – Jan would like to offer an equivalent dollar amount of benefits to the teachers for Cobra Insurance to cover the three months in which they are ineligible to receive benefits.
- Report – Jan is moving right along through the interview process. She is also working on organizing a two-night parent education/assessment to prepare kids for the fall, which will take place during the last week of April or first week of May.
- Board Member Terms (5 min.) Chris Dallin (Chris 1) (Andrea 2) (Charlene 4) (Brian 2) (Lyle 3) –All Beginning June 30th.
- Nominate a Vice-Chair (5 min.) Chris Dallin – Andrea made a motion to nominate Charlene as Vice Chair. Chris second. Motion carried.
- Draft Budget (5 min.) Jed Stevenson – Jed passed out a preliminary budget to the Board. Chris asked the Board how they felt about setting up a 2nd non-profit for the PO to accept charitable contributions. The Board felt this was a good way to go. Jed asked the Board to review the draft budget for approval at the next meeting. Charlene made a motion to accept the budget as a preliminary budget. Andrea second. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- Extra-curricular activities (2 min.) Deanna Gardner/Cody Fowers – Deanna asked to be excused. Deanna mentioned the expensive clothing. Cody asked when they would receive a list of the parents who volunteered. Cody was asked to call Vicky and have her give him the list.
- Fundraising (2 min.) Jill Denny/Jason Bowles – Most of his questions were regarding 501(c)3 status. They have discussed a “brick buying” program for fundraising efforts. He has contacted Syracuse city for advertising.
- Parent Volunteers (2 min.) Jenny Bair/Janae Davenport – Working on Kindergarten roundup
- Parent Communications (2 min.) Tami Poe/Vicki Veazie – No report
- Communications with Community (2 min.) Brian Truman/Jana – No Report
- Media Relations (2 min.) Chris Dallin – No Report

Other Business (5 min.)

Jed explained the Bank resolution that needed to be signed in order to open a bank account. Jed recommended that the Board require no less than two signatures for any single transaction. The Board signed the document.

Andrea made a motion to nominate Brian Truman as Financial Coordinator. Charlene second. Motion carried.

Chris made a motion to nominate Andrea as secretary. Charlene second. Motion carried.

Brian Truman, as the Financial Coordinator, has the power to exercise all powers listed in the Barnes Banking resolution with the consent of the board. Andrea motion. Charlene second. Motion carried.

Public Comment (5 min.) - None

Andrea made a motion to adjourn. Charlene second. Motion carried.

5:00 P.M. Adjourn