

**MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
May 21, 2015**

REGULAR MEETING

A. Meeting called to order: at 6:06 p.m. by Chairman Miller.

B. Roll Call: Chairman Miller, Director Russell, Director Ledesma, Director Reberry and Director Hullinger were present. Director Tiel joined the meeting at 6:18 p.m.; Director Dukelow joined the meeting via telephone at 7:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Miller entertained a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:07 p.m. for the purpose authorized in Section 67-2345 (1) (a) Idaho Code, to consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need; Section 672345 (1) (b) Idaho Code, to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student; and Section 67-2345 (1) (f) Idaho Code, to communicate with legal counsel for the public agency to discuss the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation, or controversies not yet being litigated but imminently likely to be litigated.

Director Ledesma moved and Director Russell seconded the motion to go into executive session. Roll call vote: Chairman Miller – aye; Director Russell – aye; Director Ledesma – aye; Director Reberry – aye; and Director Hullinger – aye.

Director Tiel moved and Director Ledesma seconded the motion to go into public session at 7:02 p.m. Motion passed 6-0.

C. Approval of Agenda: Director Ledesma moved and Director Tiel seconded the motion to approve the amended agenda with “Minutes” removed from the consent agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

CONTINUING SCHOOL BUSINESS

A. School Report: See attached. Director Russell moved and Director Ledesma seconded the motion to approve the 2015-2016 calendar as amended. Motion passed 6-0. Ms. Andersen gave a school report. Accreditation report is not finalized yet but NSAT is working on areas identified as needing attention in the draft report. Charter School Commission report was overall good. NSAT to work on areas of improvement over the summer, NSAT will be analyzing our areas of weakness and developing improvement plans.

Board requested NSAT to look at the Academic Excellence - Performance Metrics (from Director Ledesma's email) for NSCS, answering the questions: "How have we done?" "What do we want our performance to be?" and "How do we make that happen?" Discussion by Board relative to the need for an "Academic Excellence" Committee. Decision on this was postponed until NSAT's report on the above.

Krista Oberlindacher presented the "ManageBac" IB program tool that will be used 2015-16 school year.

BOARD BUSINESS

A. 2015 Board Election: Director Ledesma moved and Director Hullinger seconded the motion to approve the elections of Seat 4 (Abe Lloyd as a Parent Director) and Seat 5 (Jim Miller as a Community Director), which went uncontested. Motion passed 6-0.

Director Russell moved and Director Ledesma seconded the motion to appoint Joe Borton appointed Commissioner of Board of Elections. Motion passed 6-0.

Acknowledgement give to Dan Sparks, owner of UPS store in Eagle, who has graciously given NSCS the use of a PO Box for the election ballots to be submitted to, at no cost to NSCS. NSAT instructed to send thank you note to him.

B. Building Modifications: Discussion on Building Modifications. Recommendation from Director Russell that NSAT run the space planning by Carolyn Sharette. Director Tiel raised the concern that NSAT should attempt to determine where repairs may be needed in the future. Director Russell moved and Director Ledesma seconded the motion to approve the 3 identified projects and to delegate authority to the NSAT for the determination of the appropriate contract price within the parameters of the budget. Motion passed 6-0.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee Report: See attached. George Coburn presented the Financial Audit options and concerns. Director Russell moved and Director Tiel seconded the motion for approval. Motion passed 6-0.

Director Ledesma moved and Director Tiel seconded the motion to approve the April financial report and check register. Motion passed 6-0.

Director Ledesma moved and Director Russell seconded the motion to direct NSAT to write teacher contracts for 2015-16 school year. Motion approved 6-0.

Request to have an inquiry to bondholders regarding what to do with excess funds—pay bondholders or put into building reserves. Discussion held on safety officer.

B. Policy Committee Report: Director Tiel stated policy work is on hold until school is out.

CONSENT AGENDA

Director Russell moved to approve consent agenda. Director Tiel seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Director Ledesma moved and Director Hullinger seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m. with all members voting aye.

The above minutes represent a true and accurate summary of this meeting.

Chairman
Authored by: Bruce Dukelow

Secretary Dukelow