

MINUTES
NORTH STAR
GOVERNING BOARD
APRIL 30, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Balch at 6:04 pm. Roll Call was taken and Directors Balch, Dumas, Silver, Forman and Russell were in attendance. Director Dukelow will join later in the meeting. Director Lloyd was not in attendance.

Motion to approve the Agenda by Director Forman. Second by Director Dumas. No Discussion. All in favor. Motion passes.

PPP LOAN (PAYROLL PROTECTION PROGRAM)

North Star applied and was approved for a PPP Loan.

Motion to approve the ratification of Chairman Balch authorizing Eric to execute Bank Documents for PPP loan by Director Russell. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.

A note was made that the PPP Loan can go from loan to grant.

Under advisement a second bank account was opened by Director Balch and Eric Dickelman for the PPP Loan.

Motion to approve the ratification of Chairman Balch approval to open the second account for PPP Loan by Director Silver. Second by Director Russell. All in favor. Motion passes.

UPCOMING ELECTION

Director Abe Lloyd resigned from the Governing Board effective April 30, 2020 (see letter in packet). Director Dave Dumas resigned verbally from Seat 7 of the Governing Board during this meeting.

Motion to appoint Director Dave Dumas to Seat 6 by Director Russell. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.

Director Dukelow has joined the meeting.

BOARD EVALUATIONS

NSAT evaluations are to be completed by June 1, 2020. Director Balch and Director Forman will work on the current evaluations. Director Dumas will lead the effort to build a new evaluation form for next year.

SUMMER TUTORING

Letter in the packet explains the request from North Star teachers to use the school campus for summer tutoring. Krystal Ellis and Lisa Holt presented their plan for accommodating the required health and safety rules regarding COVID -19. They will cap classes to 10 students allowing for social distancing in the classroom. They would disinfectant all tables and materials and no sharing supplies between students.

The Board feels that the plans need to be altered to not only meet the CDC and State Guidelines however to also include specific guidelines for students leaving and returning to the parents' cars.

The teachers will need to request approval at the May Board Meeting.

STUDENT EUROPE TRIP

Due to the current travel restrictions the Student Trip was postponed. Moving the Student Trip to next the next Spring Break required immediate action by Chairman Balch.

Motion to approve the ratification of moving the student trip to Spring Break in 2021 by Director Russell. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.

SCHOOL REPORT

Shay Davis reported that the Elementary is moving along with the remote learning. Going forward and still trying to find a balance for the students, parents and the staff. The teachers are offering as much support to students and parents by providing para support as one-on-one tutoring. Staff is also trying to help the young students with emotional support as well.

The Elementary Parade was a huge success. The teachers are working on a video for the kids.

Will Bogdanoff reported that the communication between students, parents and teachers is going well; the teachers are offering office hours and providing safe platforms for the kids to engage with each other. Attendance is approximately 85%. Reaching out to those students that are not engaging on a regular basis. SPED and paras are jumping in to help students with special needs and providing them with one-on-one support.

Melissa Andersen reported that High School is following the schedule that was in place before the closing of the school. Working to engage them for about 4 hours a day. Specials are also giving assignments approximately 30 minutes a day. She also stated that high school parents have expressed their gratitude. Buster Pettit and Melissa Andersen are reaching out to students that are struggling with remote learning.

Everyone is learning new and unique ways to engage kids.

Mrs. Davis also remarked that the Elementary has adjusted the grading system for this trimester; a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grade. A note on the Report card about COVID-19 will be added for this trimester only.

DEVELOPMENT/MARKETING UPDATE

Joanna O'Donnell included in the Agenda Packet a Summary of the Development Update. Most of the remaining budget is for Students Experiences for next year. The Sports Complex portion is adding the Shade sails over the Elementary and Secondary Courtyards. Currently working on new bids from contractors for the installation.

The immediate need that Development would like to proceed with is the rebuilding of the website and the Rebranding. The goal is to have the new website active by the beginning of next Fall.

FINANCE UPDATE

Information is in the Agenda packet pages 9-19. Overall the operating deficit is tracking where the budget is expected. Revenue from Full-Day Kindergarten will not be collected for April/May which is a loss of revenue.

High School numbers are robust. Lottery occurred and working through those numbers.

Motion to approve the Financials by Director Russell. Second by Director Dumas. All in favor. Motion passes.

FINANCIAL AUDITOR

Current Auditor has removed themselves from working with us. Eric Dickelman has sought out a new auditor. The Finance Committee met with the 2 final proposals. The Finance Committee recommends with current standing not to go with the more expensive company.

Motion to approve Quest as the new auditor by Director Russell. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.

State Funding Update and Implementation of FFCRA

The FFCRA is no longer available after the PPP Loan was accepted.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Director Dukelow. Second by Director Forman. All in favor. Motion passes.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

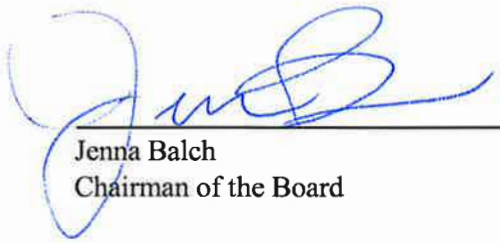
Motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206 (b & f) by Director Russell. Second by Director Dukelow. All in favor. Motion passes.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:48 pm.

Motion to adjourn from Executive Session at 8:25 by Director Russell. Second by Director Silver.

Motion to adjourn the Board Meeting by Director Dukelow. Second by Director Dumas. All in favor. Motion passes.

The Board adjourned at 8:26 pm.



Jenna Balch
Chairman of the Board



Sheri Craig
Clerk of the Board