

MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 22, 2023

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm with roll call. Directors Anderson, Broadbent, Dumas, Elledge, Van Beek, Wheeler and Young were all in attendance.

Chairman asked to modify the agenda to change the Committees Update from Discussion to an Action item.

Motion to add ‘action’ to the committees’ updates by Director Dumas. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Elledge. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

BOARD BUSINESS

Dave Dumas Sworn In

Dave Dumas was absent for the July Board Meeting and missed being sworn in at that time. Sheri Craig, clerk, swore Dave Dumas as a Director for North Star Charter School Board.

Graduation Policy

Two Drafts of the proposed Graduation Policy are included in the agenda packet

Andy presented the updated graduation policy to the board. Andy showed where reducing certain required class credits will help facilitate students’ ability to graduate with the appropriate credits. The board also considered the pros and cons for class ranking and how said ranking will be decided. Two options were presented:

Option 1 The class ranking for graduating seniors will be determined using the following formula: Un-weighted GPA + (# of Dual Enrollment classes X .02) = class ranking

Option 2 The class ranking for graduating seniors will be determined based on an Un-weighted GPA. Total number grade points Divided by the number of semester classes. Whereas an A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1.

Motion to approve option 1 as class ranking in the graduation policy by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Anderson.

Discussion: How does this affect the current IB classes? This policy will be in effect at the start of the 2024 school year.

Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to approve the revised graduation policy as presented by Director Broadbent. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Committee Updates

Each chair gave a quick update of activity since the last board meeting. Strategic Planning hasn't met. Instead, they collaborated over email to determine what needs to be on the agenda for their first meeting, and they are meeting next week. Finance notified the board that Jonathan Gillen will attend board meetings quarterly and not monthly, however he will meet with the committee each month. Academic Excellence will be meeting next week. Safety has been working on the policy needed for the SSO to carry on campus. The committee is working with Insurance regarding liability and working with SSO Bob Kearney regarding possible grant money. The Policy committee is working with Safety regarding SSO weapon policy. A. Horning shared that the Policy committee will be reviewing the options for purchasing the ISBA policy manual for future updates.

Traditionally the committee chair has been a board member, Chairman Young and Andy Horning are proposing that committee chair changed from board member to an Administrator. This change will allow the board members to ask questions and be active in understanding the needs of the school while the administrators know where changes need to be addressed. Chairman Young spoke to the current board committee chairs and appraised them of the changes prior to the board meeting. The changes to chairs are as follows:

- Academic Excellence- Shay Davis
- Safety- Will Bogdanoff
- Policy- Laiena Leatherman
- Finance- Jonathan Gillen
- Strategic Planning- Andy Horning

Motion to approve the committee chair assignments as presented by Director Elledge. Second by Director Van Beek. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Sub Rate Annual Approval

Joanna O'Donnell is requesting the board to approve the sub rate for 2023-2024. The rates are the same as last year.

Regular Sub	\$100/day	\$110/day
Long Term Sub 6 weeks and under	\$110/day	\$125/day
Long Term Sub after 6 weeks	\$120/day	\$135/day

Motion to approve the proposed sub rates by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

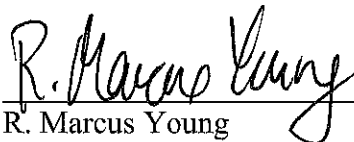
Head of School

- a. Enrollment Numbers- last year 960 students this year 1041 students. Andy reported that the Middle School reputation is gaining positivity in the community. North Star Sport teams are showing an increase in participants.
- b. 2023-2024 K-12 Focus- the administration is giving a big push towards a whole school collaboration. The teachers are responding with positive feedback to these efforts.
- c. Marketing Plan- working with Strategic Planning Committee to bring the community into the school and show how North Star is a great school.
- d. IT Update- Limetree has been working at North Star and seeing their progress in how quickly they respond to problems and provide solutions. Changing out receivers to improve internet usage.

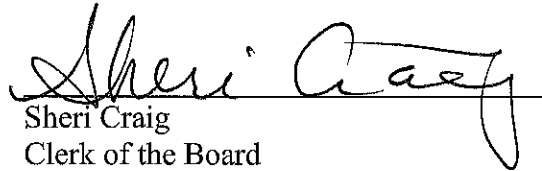
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Director Dumas. Second by Director Elledge. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to adjourn by Director Anderson at 7:17 pm. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.



R. Marcus Young
Chairman of the Board



Sheri Craig
Clerk of the Board