MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 4:07 pm through Zoom. Roll call was taken with Directors Dumas, Young, Wheeler, Van Beek, Anderson in attendance. Directors Broadbent and Elledge were not able to attend due to prior commitments.

Motion to approve the Agenda by Director Dumas. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

School Security Officer Policy

Proposed policy included in the agenda packet.

The Policy and Safety committees worked to create a policy for the purpose of allowing the SSO of North Star to have firearms on campus and is asking the board to approve the proposed policy. Andy Horning reported that North Star insurance policy does cover an authorized person carrying a firearm on campus. Qualities and expectations of the person North Star will hire were included in the policy. Areas that would be considered would be to first look for a retired police officer, the individual should also meet the requirements for carrying a concealed weapon. It was also discussed that the individual can have an Idaho Permit to carry or a LEOSA certification to carry on school grounds. An additional step was discussed to have a member of the hiring committee talk to the previous supervisor as a reference and to further ensure the skills and mental capacity to perform the duties of the job before offering the position. North Star's current SSO, Bob Kearney, is part of the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act (LEOSA) which requires a yearly recertification and is recognized by the Federal Government.

The board went through the policy and added wording to help clarify certain areas in the proposed policy. Clarification of the duties and job description of the SSO on the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) were also discussed. See attached documents.

Motion to approve this policy as presented by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor; no abstaining or opposing. Motion passes.

## CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to adjourn by Director Wheeler at 5:32 pm. Second by Director Van Beek. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

R.Marcus Young

Chairman of the Board

Sheri Craig

Clerk of the Board