

MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 28, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Chairman Young with roll call taken. Directors Anderson, Broadbent, Dumas, Van Beek, Wheeler, and Young were present, Director Elledge was absent for personal reasons.

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

BOARD BUSINESS

Middle School Presentation

Middle School Student Counsel (StuCo) presented their Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS)-CARE program, their goals for Middle School and parent/student responses to North Star Teachers. PBIS is based on rewarding good behavior from students. Students receive recognition for doing good in the areas of caring, accountability, respect and engaging. StuCo is encouraging attendance with a race between 6, 7, and 8 grade classes to fill their jar with earned tickets, winner gets an ice cream, pizza, or movie party. Upcoming events include a dance.

Lottery Date and Tours

New lottery dates and tours are being proposed for the board to approve. The board discussed the process for returning students to register and the purpose of the tours. Andy Horning provided information regarding North Star's marketing plans which includes the tours and a stronger presence on social media.

Motion to approve the lottery dates as presented by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Alternative Authorization

Earlier this school year the state reports were submitted, there were two teachers who were given additional classes that they have the knowledge and experience to teach however their credentials do not include these classes. North Star is working to help these two teachers by assigning them a mentor and helping them get their endorsement to teach their classes. The board needs to approve this process for each teacher.

Motion to approve the two requests as presented by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Field Trip Request

Will Bogdanoff is requesting permission from the Board to take the seventh-grade class to the Capitol for the School of Choice celebrations. The students will travel on a bus with teachers and administrators. The students will tour the Capitol and have an opportunity to talk to those interested in hearing about their charter experience. Any student not interested in the field trip can opt out.

Motion to approve the field trip request as presented by Director Dumas. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Facility Usage Rate

Andy Horning is requesting approval from the Board for a flat rate fee schedule for outside vendors to rent out the gym, rooms, café at North Star, such as the Calvary Church. The fee rate increase will help to maintain the building and is more competitive to rental fees in the area.

Motion to approve the facility use fee schedule as presented by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Van Beek. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

History Club Proposal

There are two teachers requesting a club for students who are interested in learning more about US History and would like them to have a safe place to learn. The Board is concerned that the club proposal has a beginning and end date that coincides with the field trip that is not North Star sponsored. The Board is requesting more information for the purpose of the history club. Joe Borton, counsel, advised the board that the proper procedure for acquiring a school club according to Policy 503.2 (Student Organizations and Clubs) has not been followed.

No action, no vote. Teachers will be asked to present a proposal that follows current policy.

ISBA Conference Update

Andy Horning, Michelle Van Beek, Bryan Wheeler, Dave Dumas, and Joanna O'Donnell attended the Idaho State Board Association Conference. They reported that the conference was a great way to network with other charter schools; an opportunity for the board to attend classes on the roles, procedures, and responsibilities of a board member. Director Wheeler noted that there are grant opportunities not being utilized by North Star to help grow our students' potential.

No action, no vote.

Head of School & Principal Reports

Andy Horning reported on the success of the first Friendsgiving lunch in Secondary. Board members who attended Friendsgiving commented about the wonderful atmosphere and the kindness they saw among the students. No one was sitting alone. The current annual campaign is underway; looking at areas where money can be gained through different grants. Will Bogdanoff reported that the girls' MS basketball is underway, boys will start soon, and HS boys

basketball games have started. Field trips for Middle school are being planned with a ski trip to Tamarack being one of them. Looking at HS having a ski trip to Brundage. Laiena Leatherman report for Elementary included Parent/Teacher conference, Scholastic Book Fair success and their first PBIS assembly recognizing students for their good behavior following SWAG. Preparing for an upcoming parade to recognize students who have 100% attendance is being planned.

The board has made a request for a presentation that would show all companies involved in North Star's internet, copy machines, and devices. Finance will report in January.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Motion to adjourn Director Dumas by 7:45 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