

MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 26, 2024

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm with roll call. Directors Young, Dumas, Broadbent, Anderson, and Wheeler were in attendance. Director Elledge was absent due to a prior commitment and Director Van Beek is on maternity leave.

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

BOARD BUSINESS

Non-Sponsored Field Trips

North Star Teachers Jonni Williams, Becky Severns, Tori Campbell, and Megan Beglinger presented trips that they are hosting. The trips are sponsored by Education First Tours which is responsible for all details of the trip such as bussing, hotels, tours, plane tickets and assumes all liability for each trip. They also hold and maintain all finances associated with the trip.

No action, no vote was taken.

Special Education Policy

The policy committee presented to the Board the first reading of the Special Education Policy. They have adjusted the state policy to reflect practices at North Star. The background and edits to the prior policy were included in the meeting packet.

Motion to adopt the Special Education Policy suspending the three-reading rule by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Facility Contracts

Information for the facility contract can be found in the finance presentation packet.

The HOS and COO reviewed multiple landscaping contracts. The Board approved the presented proposal for Sunshine Landscaping. The Board authorized the HOS and COO to move forward with contract negotiations with Sunshine Landscaping.

Motion to approve that the administration continue with a contract with Sunshine Landscaping by Director Broadbent. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Financial Update

Presentation included in the agenda packet.

Jonathan led the board through the financial presentation highlighting the revenue and the forecast budget for next year. He gave a timeline for the next few months with the Finalized budget review in June.

Motion to approve the quarterly report as presented by Jonathan Gillen by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Audit Engagement Letter

The board has been asked to approve the Audit Engagement Letter for the next two years.

Motion to approve the audit engagement letter as presented in the packet by Director Dumas. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Safety Grant Application

Andy Horning reported on the Safety Grant Application which has been turned in and the results will be on April 5, 2024. The board gave praise to the safety committee for their work on the application and the work they did on surveying the stakeholders of North Star.

No action, no vote was taken.

Head of School Report

Andy Horning announced that the Lottery Draw will be held this week. There were 1081 applications, a higher number than in previous years. The week before school break was very busy with seventh and eighth graders going skiing at Tamarack. Sixth graders attended MOSS. The first North Star National Honor Society induction ceremony was held. Career Day for 7-12 grades was very successful. The week ended with a Spirit Assembly for Secondary. Each event attended by North Star students showcased our amazing North Star students. Many spectators acknowledged their positive influence at each event. Interviews are underway for open positions including Secondary Principal.

Shay Davis gave a quick report that state testing is starting in the next two weeks. Parent/Teacher conferences with students that have teachers concerned about their academic performance, social or emotional resilience.

Chairman Young addressed the Board to explain that there was an oversight in the agenda and would like to propose adding an Election Update and Legal Services as two new items on the agenda. Neither item will need action, only discussion.

Motion to amend the agenda to include an Election Update and Legal Services by Director Dumas. Second by Director Wheeler. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Election Update

Sheri Craig gave a quick update on the upcoming election. Currently the clerk has received two parent nominations and two community nominations. The deadline for turning in nominations is April 2, 2024, and then the applicants will have until April 17, 2024, to turn in their applications and all other documentation.

Legal Service

Joe Borton, legal counsel, has been with North Star for the last 16 years and will be stepping down due to professional reasons. He will be serving as a District Court Judge. The North Star community presented Joe Borton a gift of appreciation. Victor Villegas of the same firm will take on the role of legal counsel.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

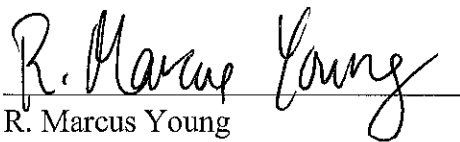
Motion to move to Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206(1b) by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Broadbent. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes at 7:39 pm.

Roll Call for Executive Session

Young-yes, Anderson-yes, Dumas-yes, Wheeler-yes, and Broadbent-yes.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session by Director Wheeler. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes at 8:00 pm

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:01 pm by Director Broadbent. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.


R. Marcus Young
Chairman of the Board


Sheri Craig
Clerk of the Board