

MINUTES  
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL  
GOVERNING BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 27, 2024

Chairman Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm with roll call. Directors Anderson, Balch, Dumas, Huffaker, Van Beek and Wheeler were present for roll call. Director Gregg arrived at 6:06 pm.

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

**BOARD BUSINESS**

Student Council Presentation

The High School Student Council presented their goals and plans for this school year. They have developed committees which include Spirit, Dances, Communication, Community Out Reach, and Recognition. The Council consists of 34 students and advisor, Jillayne Ange. Jillayne reported that the leadership roles that students have makes North Star different to other area High Schools.

Board Meeting Calendar

Due to some calendar conflicts the board needed to readdress the meeting schedule for 24-25. Andy Horning and Chairman Wheeler proposed changing dates that conflicted with School Breaks. New dates include Jan 14, Feb 11 and Mar 11.

**Motion to approve the board meeting dates for 2024-2025 school year by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.**

Head of School Update

Justin Durlinger reported on the Meet and Greet and the success of that evening. He felt the first week and a half went well, working on 1:1 device for all secondary students. Shay Davis reported a smooth start for elementary. There are a few new students, 2 new teachers and many new paras.

Andy reported that the energy of the teachers is flowing out to the students and families. Challenges include the late arrival of computers to deploy to secondary students and Brown Bus being late for pick up and drop off. Elementary is full with a few extra students in designated grade levels. Horning is working on adding more students to the secondary roster. Morning announcements with the new intercoms is awesome.

Board Committees

Andy presented his changes to the board committees with committee chairs and members.

**Policy/Safety:** Chair Joanna O'Donnell with Bob Kearney, Laiena Leatherman, Maggie Huffaker, Michelle Van Beek, and Dave Dumas as members.

**Strategic Planning:** Chair Andy Horning with Joanna O'Donnell, Bryan Wheeler, Stephen Gregg as members.

**Academic Excellence:** Chair Shay Davis with Justin Durflinger, Michelle Van Beek, and Cherish Anderson as members.

**Finance:** Chair Jonathan Gillen with Joanna O'Donnell, Bryan Wheeler and Jenna Balch as members.

No action, no vote.

#### ISBA Events

The board discussed the upcoming Annual conference, Regional Meeting and the Literacy Training for all board members. The members will be attending these meetings as their schedules allow.

The ISBA resolutions are areas that schools in the state have expressed interest in presenting to the legislature. Chairman Wheeler has asked the board to consider three Resolutions that North Star will then add their endorsement to the Resolution. A discussion regarding these three resolutions will be held at the September board meeting.

No action, no vote.

#### Board Get Together Planning

Chairman Wheeler would like to have an unofficial gathering of the board where no board business will be discussed. Dates will be proposed and the board will select a date for this event. The clerk will post the Notice of an Event once a date has been selected.

No action, no vote.

#### Annual Substitute Payrate approval

*The substitute rate schedule included in the agenda packet.*

Policy requires an annual approval of the sub rates. North Star strives to be competitive with West Ada and Boise school districts.

**Motion to approve the proposed sub rates as presented by Director Balch. Second by Director Gregg. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.**

#### Audit Engagement Letter Approval

Same group is doing the audit as previous years. Asking for the board to approve the audit engagement letter.

**Motion to approve the Qwest Audit Engagement Letter by Director Balch. Second by Director Van Beek. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.**

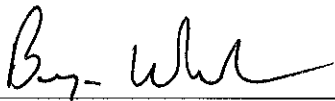
#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion to approve the consent agenda by Director Balch. Second by Director Van Beek.**

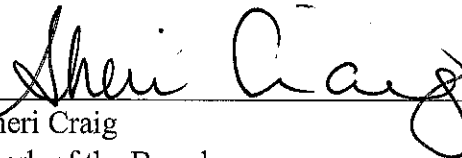
**Discussion: Quick clarification of the snow removal contract, understanding items on check register and fixing of a typo on one MOU.**

**Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.**

**Motion to adjourn by Director Balch at 7:25 pm. Second by Director Huffaker. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.**



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Bryan Wheeler  
Chairman of the Board



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Sheri Craig  
Clerk of the Board