

MINUTES
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 20, 2025

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wheeler at 6:06 pm with Roll Call; Directors Wheeler, Balch, Anderson, Dumas, Huffaker, and Van Beek were in attendance. Director Gregg absent due to conflict with scheduling.

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

BOARD BUSINESS

Finance Presentation

Finance presentation included in the agenda packet.

- a. Current Financials
Jonathan Gillen reported on the quarterly financials stating that the budget is on target and is aligned with expectations. He pointed out areas of concern and expected changes for next year's budget.
- b. Three-Year Projected Summary
Enrollment will continue to increase over the next three years which in turn will mean more funding for the budget.
- c. Merger Update- Mountain America Credit Union application
North Star is looking into refinancing a loan. Asking the board for approval to have Andy Horning and Bryan Wheeler sign the loan application. The board requested information on the terms and interest rates.

Motion to approve the financial Report as presented by Director Balch. Second by Director Dumas. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Motion to approve Andy Horning, Head of School, and Bryan Wheeler, Board Chair, to sign the credit application. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

GOOD NEWS NORTH STAR

- Shay Davis reported on elementary finishing all their testing with amazing results. Elementary is looking to hire a 4th grade teacher and additional para positions. The Kinder Launch was Monday night. There were many families who came out to take a tour and meet the teachers. Shay and Laiena gave their presentation that highlighted our high expectations for learning and also for attendance. Last SWAG assembly on Wednesday.

- Justin Durflinger reported that secondary testing is also finished and very excited about their test scores and how well they compare to the state. Secondary staffing needs are close to being filled. The Secondary Annual BBQ was successful. Heather Whitt took art students downtown to visit Graffiti Lane to show art opportunities. Senior Graduation on Thursday, 5/22 and Middle School Dance on Friday 5/23.
- Andy reported that North Star was awarded the Certificate of Accreditation. Administration is continuing working on the high school renovations at the new North Star site (Rolling Hills)

BOARD BUSINESS

Personnel Report

Joanna O'Donnell presented a report on the staff who are leaving and reviewed which job positions are still open. She reported back to the board, as requested, regarding the State pay scale which came in as expected. She is asking the board to approve administration contracts. Certified contracts and Classified MOUs are in the consent agenda for approval.

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

Policy Committee

First Read of Policy 2500 Library Materials

The board discussed some of the wording and procedures associated with this policy. The board decided to have the policy committee research the questions and bring the policy back for a second read. No action. No vote.

Reimbursement Resolution

This resolution would authorize the expenditure of funds by NS for capital projects and the reimbursement of such expenditures. These could include reimbursement to the school for expenses occurring with the acquisition of the new facility.

Motion to approve the reimbursement resolution by Director Huffaker. Second by Director Balch. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

West Valley Technology Services Contract

The IT support is being expanded to include coverage for the Rolling Hills site. This contract will include the continuing helpdesk service with the addition of another person servicing both sites. Additional cost will be to add the North Star phones to the Rolling Hills site.

Motion to approve the West Valley Technical Service Master Service Agreement and the Statement of Work by Director Balch. Second by Director Huffaker. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

Legal Services Contract

Chairman Wheeler reached out to Lakey Villegas Law and Policy firm informing them that North Star will no longer be using their services. North Star is creating a new contract with Chris Yorgason of Yorgason Law Offices, PLLC.

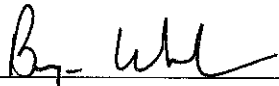
Motion to terminate Lakey Villegas Law and Policy Firm and accept new contract with the office of Yorgason Law Offices, PLLC by Director Van Beek. Second by Director Balch. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.

CONSENT AGENDA

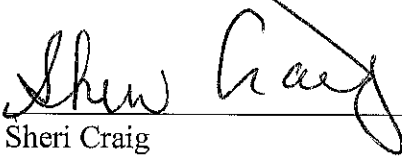
Andy clarified the multiple facility contracts and the fees applied to the two contracts.

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

Motion to adjourn at 7:18 pm by Director Balch. Second by Director Anderson. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passes.



Bryan Wheeler
Chairman of the Board



Sheri Craig
Clerk of the Board