

# ENTHEOS ACADEMY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Sept 29, 2017

Held at Entheos Academy Kearns Campus 4770 West 6200 South Kearns

## OPENING

- I. Roll Call
  - a. Board Members Present: Jaren Gibson, Rod Eichelberger, Alisha Cartier, Adriane Olsen (leave 7:00pm -as noted in minutes), Nate Pilcher (6:40 pm arrival), Stephanie Gibson, Xazmin Prows
  - b. Board Members Excused: Kathy Larrabee
  - c. Administrators and Staff also present: Mathew Edvik, Annette Barney, Sue Talmadge, Brian Cates of Red Apple, Eric Robins
  - d. Administrators Excused:
  - e. Time: 6:00 pm
- II. Board Welcome by Stephanie Gibson.
  - a. Stephanie shared a video from Prager U  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPTXdPmNekA>
  - b. After the video excerpts from the vision statement were shared with a focus on the topic of student excellence and the core values of Entheos.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Mission Statement by group recitation
- V. Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

- I. Public Comment: None
- II. Response to Public Comment: None
- III. Budget and Finance Report
  - a. Brian Cates reporting. This report is as of end of August. 17% through year, not a lot of in school activities. Revenue is a head of forecast and due to federal funds reimbursements being received in this school year. State revenue is on target.
  - b. Expenses report overall ahead of forecast, 700s running high (technology and hardware). The school is at 4.5 % operating margin with enrollment is trending.
  - c. The October 1<sup>st</sup> count will take place Monday.
  - d. Alisha Cartier verified the October 1<sup>st</sup> count does not determine funding, but the ADM or average daily membership. Brian confirmed this stating that October counts are still valuable for free and reduced lunch as well as it is weighted into the funding consideration.
- IV. Questions and Feedback regarding Director's report from Kearns, report by Eric Robins.
  - a. Jaren Gibson asked for more information about the Global Schools of Service. Eric turned the floor to Deb Ivie who explained that Youth Service America this year awarded this to Entheos as an exemplar schools in service learning.
  - b. Jaren asked about the school service club. Again Deb Ivie stated there are 50 or more students showing up to help.

- c. Eric Robins added to his report that Sept 11<sup>th</sup> all students were taken to the Healing Fields and received a personal note of thanks from the owner of Colonial Flag for the schools support.
- d. Nate Pilcher arrived (6:40 pm)
- e. The board were asked to share questions about the work plan. Acronym meanings were varified. Stephanie Gibson asked that an additional opportunity be created for parents to see and receive status updates on the student protfolios some time during the middle of the year. Eric said such may be added to the mid year parent teacher conference.
- f. Eric Robins shared the two teacher spotlights Deb Bore and Stacey Leak
- V. Questions and Feedback regarding Director's report from Magna, report by Mat Edvik.
  - a. Teacher spotlights were Brian Storrs and Sara Avery
  - b. Jaren recognize and appreciate the service learning after school club giving a round of applause from the board.
  - c. Alisha Cartier wanted to recognize the value of Mat holding the town hall on facebook live. It made it possible for several people to watch later.
- VI. Policy Committee report
  - a. The committee requested to report next board meeting as the deadline is further away than originally thought and more time is needed to consider the suggestions.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

- I. Turnaround Plan reported by Mat Edvik
  - a. Adriane Olsen leaves 7:00 pm.
  - b. Rod Eichelberger asked if Mat's confidence for a growth in science scores this year is based on any data thus far? Mat state the school does not have data to this point in the year, but some information is being tracked and more information will be available later.
  - c. Xazmin asked how realistic it is that Magna will be coming out of turn around in the time frame allotted by the state. Mat reported that the school needs to get another 50 points. Mat stated that consistency with teachers and increased focus on science and math scores will help. If the school does not get those points will we have enough to file for an extension based on your total points to grow by 25%. Alisha Cartier wanted to know if the funding extends with an extension. At this time it is unknown
  - d. Dibbels Scores were reviewed for Magna these scores are the highest the kids have started in all of the three grades. Shows strong primary teams and is an indicator of the improvements that are developed in lower grades who will eventually be SAGE scorers.
- II. SAGE growth and proficiency numbers, report by Eric Robins
  - a. Break down of comparison to schools near Entheos geographically.
  - b. Jaren Gibson also informed the board that about a week and half ago the board received notice from Jennifer Lambert of the Utah State Charter School Board that the school was removed from Warning Status.
- III. Board Development led by Jaren Gibson.
  - a. A discussion of possible new board members was held. Jaren requested all prospective board members be asked about their interest level so that an interview schedule can be made at the next board working meeting.
  - b. Rod Eichelberger will maintain his board position until the year end.

- c. A discussion of the book *Mindset* was held board members shared their thoughts and stated a clear focus on this growth mindset was evident in teacher portfolios. The board will complete reading the book for the next board meeting.
- d. Board retreat dates and standing schedule discussion
  - i. Future board meetings will be held on the days currently scheduled with a working session to begin at 5:30 pm and the meeting to begin at 6:15 pm.
  - ii. No board retreat dates were discussed.

#### ACTION ITEMS

##### MOTION 1: Consent agenda

Rod Eichelberger motions to approve the consent agenda. Alisha Cartier seconds. Motion passes by a unanimous vote.

##### MOTION 2: School instruction and human sexuality policy

Rod Eichelberger motions to table human sexuality policy. Stephanie Gibson seconds the motion. Motion approved by a unanimous vote.

##### MOTION 3: Calendar approval 2018-19

Nate Pilcher motions to approve the calendar. Rod Eichelberger seconds the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### ADJOURN

- I. Rod Eichelberge motions to adjourn. Xazmin Prows seconds the motion.
- II. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm