



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Meeting Minutes

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| Dr. Thomas Lubben | Founder |
| Angela Sigley Grossman | Professor |
| Casey Gallagher | Theatre Mgr. Administrator |
| Rosalee Sabo | Acting Board President |
| Sally Ann Hanzlik | Educator |
| Patricia Lenzer | Gymnastics Professional |

June 12, 2017

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| Amy Best | Board Treasurer, Assoc. Professor |
| Joanna Hughes | Executive Director |
| Jackie Vogel | Principal |
| Dolly Cary | Board Secretary |
| Brandon Leydic | Director of Operations |
| Mark McKenzie | (Guest) Allentown School Dist. |
| Tom Taylor | (Guest) Repice and Taylor |

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Ms. Hughes.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Angela Grossman, Rosalee Sabo, Amy Best, Sally Ann Hanzlik, Casey Gallagher, Pat Lenzer
Joanna Hughes, Dolly Cary, Brandon Leydic

Absent: Jackie Vogel

II. Financial Report

Mark McKenzie and Tom Taylor presented the financial report.

Motion: To approve the Financial Report as presented by Mark McKenzie and Tom Taylor.
(Sigley Grossman/Hanzlik) Motion carried.

III. Executive Session

Motion: To adjourn the meeting into Executive Session. (Sigley Grossman/Hanzlik)
Motion carried.

The Board convened into Executive Session at 6:13 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

Motion: To reconvene the meeting to regular session. (Hanzlik/Sabo) Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 6:34 p.m.

Motion: To approve the appointment of Jason Eitner as Executive Director for the Arts Academy Elementary Charter School effective July 1, 2017 at a salary of \$110,000. (Gallagher/Best) No opposition. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Motion: To approve the minutes of the April 10, 2017, Board of Directors meeting. (Sigley Grossman/Best) Motion carried.

V. Administrators' Reports

Joanna Hughes, Executive Director

Arts Academy tentatively passed the Title I Review. We are awaiting the final approval letter. Although Ian Richetti had submitted his resume to the Board, last month, regarding a possible seat on the Board of Directors, his availability did not mesh with the current Board meeting times and his name was withdrawn. Health benefits for the 2017-2018 year increased 12%. A Health Fair will be held at the school for staff on Monday. The Board members are invited to the musical play Shakespeare performed by the 5th grade students on Tuesday, June 20, at 6:00 p.m. at the school.

Jackie Vogel, Principal

Thank you to Casey Gallagher for the arrangement of our 5th grade students to attend the dress rehearsal of *The Ice Princess* at DeSales. Our 4th grade showcase on June 1 was a huge success. The children acted out their sound stories, did a few pantomime skits and our select chorus provided the music. On June 20, our 5th grade students will participate in their graduation ceremony following their musical. To date, we have 413 students attending next year.

Brandon Leydic, Director of Operations

No issues to report. Presently all operations are running smoothly.

VI. New Business

Motion: To approve the new staff appointments listed below, and to approve the 2017-2018 Staff List (A copy is filed with this report). (Best/Sabo) Motion carried.

- Colin Wolf, Substitute, per diem
- Alexandra Harte, Substitute, per diem
- Amanda Russell, 2017-18 Theatre Teacher, \$40,000
- Julie Rubel, 2017-18 First Grade Teacher, \$38,000
- Giovanni Perna, Substitute Custodian, \$20/hr.
- Allison Fekula, 2017-18 Substitute , per diem

The resignation of Board member, Clifford James, was accepted with regret. Best wishes were expressed to Mr. James on his relocation.

Mr. Taylor requested that the 2017-2018 Budget be approved in its current format in order for it to be submitted to PDE for the June 30, 2017 deadline. Once approved, the budget will be changed to the proper format.

Motion: To approve the Budget, for submission in its current format, to the Pennsylvania Department of Education by June 30, 2017. Once approved, the format will be added. (Lenzer/Gallagher) Motion carried.

Vonage will be installing a new phone system with a cloud based server. This change in carrier will allow staff the benefit of faster connectivity and no dropped phone calls. Partnering with the Easton Arts Academy Elementary Charter School has allowed both schools a better discounted price while still keeping separate contracts. This also enables us to eliminate the services of Custom Systems, resulting in monthly savings of approximately \$575 upward to \$1,600, depending on the school's need.

Motion: To approve the installation of the new phone system, Vonage. (Best/Lenzer) Motion carried.

A request was presented to the Board to allow the administrative staff of the Easton Arts Academy Elementary Charter School use of the school, to work for the summer months, until the Easton school is available for occupancy.

Motion: To approve the Board Resolution to allow the administrative staff of the Easton Arts Academy Elementary Charter School use of the school, to work for the summer months, until the Easton school is available for occupancy. (Lenzer/Best) Motion carried.

VII. Committee Reports – None

VIII. Old Business - None

IX. Public Comment on Agenda Items – None

X. Public Comments – None

XI. Executive Session

Motion: To adjourn the meeting into Executive Session. (Sabo/Lenzer) Motion carried.

The Board convened into Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

Motion: To reconvene the meeting to regular session. (Hanzlik/Sabo) Motion carried.

The meeting reconvened to regular session at 7:35 p.m.

XII. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting of the Board of Directors at 7:45 p.m. (Gallagher/Hanzlik). Motion carried.

Eleanore M. Cary
Board Secretary

The next meeting is scheduled for July 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.