



Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2020 @ 6:30 pm

2323 W. Parkside Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027

Adams Traditional Academy • Jefferson Preparatory • Choice Services LLC

Board Members Present

Lisa Fink, Judd Lewis, Thomas McCauley, Brent Garrett, Ray Malnar (Remote), Marcus Kelley (Remote), David Weston

Board Members Absent

Guests Present

Audra Wilson-Smith, Debi Ryder, Stacy Smith

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call Meeting to Order

C. Call to Public-The board members can not discuss or vote on comments made by the public. The public may comment on any agenda item when the agenda item is called.

No public spoke

II. Consent Agenda

A. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for January 22, 2020, 2019

B. Finance Committee Minutes for February 20, 2020

C. Eagles Nest fees

D. Summer Camp fees

E. Approve Consent Agenda Items

Thomas McCauley made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

Judd Lewis seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

An amendment was approved to modify the financial committee report to include a delay of the approval of the

proposed sports fees for Adams Traditional Academy and Jefferson Prep until March.

III. Executive Session

A. Adjourn to Executive Session: The Board may vote to adjourn to executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.04 in order to consult and instruct its attorney regarding a pending EEOC complaint.

Brent Garrett made a motion to Move into Executive Session.

Thomas McCauley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Adjourn to executive session: The Board may vote to adjourn to an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(3) for discussion or consultation with the Board's attorney for legal advice regarding the formation of separate Boards.

Thomas McCauley made a motion to Return to Regular Session

Brent Garrett seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Board may consider, decide, or recommend according to executive session

Brent Garrett made a motion to No action necessary from Executive Session

Thomas McCauley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. CEO Report

A. Summary report for Choice Academies

Audra Wilson-Smith presented the report reviewing enrollment and events of the schools along with the business report.

B. Report on Strategic Planning Committee

Audra Wilson-Smith presented that the Strategic Planning Committee is working on surveys and a SWOT analysis.

V. Finance

A. Choice Academies Inc teacher salary increase

Audra Wilson-Smith presented a proposal to increase in teacher base salary and CSF appropriations for the 2020/2021 year.

Thomas McCauley made a motion to Approve teacher salary increase

Judd Lewis seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Choice Services LLC teacher salary increase

Audra Wilson-Smith presented a proposal to increase in teacher base salary for the 2020/2021 year.

Judd Lewis made a motion to Approve salary increase

Thomas McCauley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Academic Excellence

VII. Governance

A. Board communication

No additional information was provided.

VIII. Other Business

A. Recap & Resolution on CAA and ATA students participating at varsity level

Audra Wilson-Smith presented that due to the fact that CAA bylaws were changed in the spring of 2019, ATA junior high students can no longer participate on varsity sports. In the past, ATA students participated with JP's Cross Country because ATA did not offer Cross Country at all. Changes to the CAA bylaws in section 5.7.5 state "JH players can only play for the CAA school's JH team (not eligible for Varsity sports)". In essence, according to CAA bylaws, the junior high students of ATA (grades 5-8) are not eligible to participate in junior varsity or varsity sports at Jefferson Preparatory.

B. Choice Academies Inc subsidiaries

Lisa Fink presented information from the Arizona Board for Charter Schools and the Arizona Department of Education along with board minutes in regards to the Choice Academies Inc subsidiaries. Choice Academies is a district with two schools Adams Traditional Academy K-8 and Jefferson Prep 9-12.

C. Board Members Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

No suggested items.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Thomas McCauley made a motion to Adjourn

David Weston seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 pm.