

Soldier Hollow Charter School Board of Trustee Meeting

November 14, 2019

3444 West 3000 South Charleston, Utah

(All times listed are approximate and the Board reserves the right to vote on any item on the agenda)

The Mission of Soldier Hollow Charter School is to utilize place-based education to foster autonomous, lifelong learning through knowledge of and responsibility for the environment.

6:37pm

Welcome & Roll Call

Erin Merryweather, Mark Harney, Katie deLahunta, Jennifer Johnson

Public comment

Colleen Baird presented to the board. Passionate about literacy, empowering, equipping kids, etc. Feels kids need to know how & where to find information. Would love to help facilitate a useable functional library for our kids. Presented SHCS LIBRARY PROPOSAL- see attachment. Could have a semi functional library for 6-7k, this number does not account for anything we may have onsite that we can utilize.

REPORTS:

Facilities

Drainage out front being fixed.

Septic Update: some cleaning supplies from Waxie potentially could be harming our septic & resulting in abnormally high numbers. We are switching out to replacement product that could potentially help grow our "good" bacteria. Nitrogen numbers are gradually trending down, need two consecutive tests with nitrogen 30 or below.

Waiting on one more bid for snow removal, should have by tomorrow.

Regarding potential improvements to the arena, Mike reached out to Stacy Warmack has not heard back yet.

PTO

Book Fair generated \$5700, Family Night not as successful as Spring, possibly dropping that next year, plan on continuing with the Spring Family Night as it had much better attendance.

Starting Olympic planning.

Amie Bullard (PTO President) attended a grant writing conference, several exciting grants that would fit our school very well.

Finance Committee

Days cash on hand is down to 40, time to exercise more caution.

Funding for next year already determined- starting at 337 students. (July-Oct)

We have been getting paid based on last year's numbers, that changes this month. We have been getting "underpaid" in regard to this year's numbers.

MOTION BY ERIN MERRYWEATHER TO ACCEPT OCTOBER FINANCIALS, KATIE DELAHUNTA SECONDS, ALL IN FAVOR.

Capital Fundraising

Nothing to report.

Garden Committee

Stacey Adcock heading up the Garden Committee with Christa's departure. The committee is in the process of creating a punch list of items, hoping for donations closer to spring so the garden can move forward.

Wish List

Need to create a list to make it easier for people to donate. Could be a long-term list that people could to donate to as they wish.

Academic Excellence

Math curriculum is a little overwhelming but coming along. Bridges instructor to help teachers with professional development via Zoom. Going to be using Weilenmann School teachers as a resource for learning Bridges.

Currently getting substitute teachers from "Ready to Teach" app, working well.

Exec. Committee

Jamie Bennion to work on Teacher & Parent survey so we can see where we are at, get feedback from parents & staff.
Abbie Huddleston expressed interest in joining the Board.

MOTION BY KATIE DELAHUNTA TO APPOINT ABBIE HUDDLESTON TO THE REMAINDER OF CHRISTA BROWN'S TERM (THRU 6/30/21).
ERIN MERRYWEATHER SECONDS, ALL IN FAVOR.

Jamie Bennion to submit final payment of \$97,207.06 to River Hollow.

8:00 pm

Principal Report

Enrollment is down at 318 kids, 2 families moved away from the area.

Gaining one kindergartener, family from Texas coming in January.

SPED- Challenges with master schedule. Working on holding teachers to the schedule. RTI model that we are using is a "push in" program. SPED is not a replacement, should be an enhancement. IEP reviews and testing are ongoing (reflected in the budget).

NUES- Holly Todd (crisis manager) going to do professional development to help with Crisis Safety Response Plan. We also have access to a clinical psychologist through NUES, free of charge.

PR/Website: Emailed Janice about Frog Tummy site fee. New sweatshirts and t-shirts arrived, selling well.

Curriculum, testing & training: Currently using I-Ready, Acadience, Imagine Learning & Rise (state mandated). Meeting in huddles and reviewing collaborative data (testing 3x year on all but Rise)

8:12 3 QUESTIONS. Collaborating with Edith Bowen Laboratory School to do professional development exchange.

Environmental Ed- All field experiences must have learning aspects for approval.

Arts- Marissa Holdaway is back & planning choir. Christy doing great with Art.

School Safety- Smoke detectors tested last week. Learned how to reset fire alarm.

Skiing- Same ski schedule as last year, Olympics March 6. No skate program this year. Shannon Wilson unable to commit to lessons this year in time to make it work.

MOTION BY JENNIFER JOHNSON TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 2019 BOARD MEETING. ERIN MERRYWEATHER SECONDS, 4 IN FAVOR. ONE ABSTAIN

8:28 pm MOTION BY ERIN MERRYWEATHER TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION FOR ONGOING LEGAL MATTERS AS OUTLINED IN §52-4-205 of the Utah Code of Open and Public Meetings Act. JENNIFER JOHNSON SECONDS, ALL IN FAVOR.

9:13 pm Open session

MOTION BY KATIE DELAHUNTA TO ADJOURN, ERIN MERRYWEATHER SECONDS, ALL IN FAVOR.