

# Idaho Arts Charter School Board Meeting Minutes

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Regular Board Meeting  
Dec 11, 2017

## Board Members Attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Attendance Status</u>
Kaylene McDonald	President	Present
Joel Taylor	Vice-President	Present
Jodi Daugherty	Treasurer	Present
Chad Majors	Secretary	Present
Heather Neubauer	Board Member	Present
Matt Mesropian	Board Member	Present
Tina Aaron	Board Member	Present

## Agenda: As Published

### I. CALL TO ORDER

President Kaylene McDonald called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm and started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Current Month Agenda and Previous Month minutes were voted on and accepted.

### II. POLICY DISCUSSION (6:30pm – 7:00pm)

- POLICY TITLE: Animals in School POLICY NO: 971  
Sets a policy on what and how animals are to be allowed for both Educational purposes and Health purposes.

A motion to approve the above policies as listed was entertained- a motion was made and seconded, all in favor- motion carries. Policies approved.

Tableing the following Policies for our next meeting.

POLICY TITLE: Gifted/Talented Education POLICY NO: 672

POLICY TITLE: Trustee Nomination and Election POLICY NO: 244

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## III. CONSENT AGENDA

### A. Student Presentations – None

### B. Teacher / Advisor Reports -

Christina Jenkins came in with a Disney Trip approval for the upcoming year. Funding will be coming through fundraisers and participation participation cost. Trip is slated in mid April next school year.

In addition, we Mrs Jenkins presented the board with another opportunity for an Iceland Trip for students to perform there. The discussion surrounded about how the funding would happen for this trip. The total cost would be around \$3300 per student. Any students that want to attend along that are not in the orchestra, are invited and can attend purely on an educational basis. More forthcoming information will be coming from the travel company that specializes in putting these trips together for students. The will be invited to come and further present to the board.

A motion to move forward with these trips for now and were both voted on and approved by the board.

### C. Marc Carignan – Budget / Financial Information:

- a. financial reports were presented. Highlights are available on request.
- b. financial were voted on and passed

### D. Director's Report – Jackie Collins –

See notes below in new business action items.

### E. Principal's Report – Marie McGrath –

- November inservice focused on affirmative language and arts integration using standards
- VR lab and write up in Idaho Ed News (today)
- Students completed Gallup poll--results
- Grins on the Go for 7-8 graders
- Army band played for Veteran's Day assembly
- Dance classes, Global Beats, middle school drama, choirs and Phoenix Vibe all had performances in November
- All seniors who presented in this first round passed their senior project
- Orchestra, bands and IACT have performances this week

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F. Elementary Report – Anthony Haskett –

G. Elementary Report – Kendall Fleshman –

- Math Night Nov 28th
- Snowball Dance/Uniform Swap Dec 1st
- Love and Logic Dec 2 Sat (20 parents 24 children- Key Club watched)
- Destination 112 Giving Tree Fundraiser with Tim Swanson Dec 7th
- Jenni Lund and MaryKate DeBoer presented-Washington DC and NYC- June of 2019 (presented at primary to 4th graders Dec 11/ parent meeting Dec 18th)
- Popcorn fundraiser from PTO pick up Dec 14th
- Solar System Culminating event for 3rd and 4th December 15th
- Giving Tree Gifts both campus'
- Christmas Around the World Program 1st/2nd grade Dec 18-20th
- Nutcracker 1-4 grades come to Secondary campus - Dec 20th
- Insulation in Music and Dance room
- Delta Dental January 9 starting

A motion to approve the consent agenda was entertained- a motion was made and seconded, all in favor- motion carries. Consent agenda approved.

## IV. ACTION AGENDA

A motion to approve the action agenda was entertained- a motion was made and seconded, all in favor- motion carries. Action agenda approved.

## V. ACTION ITEMS

### a. NEW BUSINESS

1. Purchase of property at primary school.

So I talked to Kaylene about this--I was given the wrong size on the lot in front of the school when I quoted the cost at \$52k at the Board meeting.

The lot size is closer to a full acre. At \$3.47 a sq ft--they paid \$150,945 (see below)

With the sprinkler system installed at \$10k --the land would be worth \$160,945

I told Adam (Clinton) that there wasn't any way we could afford that--but could possibly afford a 3 year loan. He went back to his Board and discussed it and then sent me the email.

They are willing to give us a 5yr interest free loan (it doesn't get any better) I think this is a very generous offer.

If we offered \$162k that would be \$32,400 a year

I personally think this is a good deal. I think we can afford it and I think that we would be smart to get this for future expansion--whether we put a building here or additional playground area in the next 3-4 years.

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Even **expanding the parking lot is a possibility**. We have grant money available, and should be getting additional grant money next year--and state funding should continue to increase.

I will be just coming back from a STEAM conference with Anthony Haskett when you have the next Board meeting. I will call Jodi's cell when I land at 7:30 and if you haven't discussed this yet (or are still there) I can chime in.

Board feels like it would be crazy to not move forward with pursuing this option for a land purchase alongside our current property

2. Discussion of PTO policies regarding staff holding officer positions and acceptance / refusal of gifts.

What policies need to be in place concerning PTO restrictions. Namely gifts that can be refused and role of teachers within the PTO or PTA. What policies are currently in place and if policies are needed to limit liability. We also want to stress how wonderful the current PTO is doing fantastic things and is growing and moving in the right direction.

Marie will research and bring to the January Meeting.

3. New Admin/Superintendent Evaluation from the ISBA has been issued that will be available online.

4. Staff Christmas Party Dec 19th.

5. Action Agenda voted on and approved

New regular Board Meeting will be Monday, January 8, 2018 at the secondary school at 6:30 pm.

## **VI. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

EXECUTIVE SESSION – the Board did not adjourn to executive session at      pm.

This session is closed to the public. Session called as per state code: 67-2345. Section (b) (To consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, or public school student)

1. An executive session is being called as per 67-2345. Section (b) (To consider the evaluation, of a staff member and to hear/review complaints brought against a staff member)
2. MSC to executive session
3. MSC to adjourn to regular session

Executive session adjourned at      pm and returned to regular session.

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

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Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

## Idaho Arts Charter School Mission and Purpose

Arts Charter School's mission is to develop students with the academic achievements, skills, and attitudes necessary to succeed in elementary, middle and secondary school, and to be offered a post-secondary education and satisfying employment. Additionally, the school seeks to inspire students and develop artistic talents, attitudes and skills in students, promoting lifelong avocation in arts areas. The school seeks to develop an educated citizenry for the 21st century through academic programs, centered around a diverse arts curriculum, using focused investigations.

Instruction will be well grounded in Idaho Standards including the basics of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies, and will develop the habits of lifelong learning, curiosity, clear oral and written communication, creative thinking, effective use of technology as a tool, adaptability to new situations and new information, and problem-solving skills.

Students will gain these skills and abilities through a curriculum based heavily in music, drama, visual arts and dance. Students will develop personal habits and attitudes that lead to accepting responsibility for personal decisions and actions; academic honesty and the ability to face challenges with courage and integrity; a healthy lifestyle; empathy and courtesy for others; respect for differences among people and cultures; self-confidence and willingness to risk setbacks in order to learn; and the ability to work cooperatively with others.