

Idaho Arts Charter School Board Meeting Minutes

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Regular Board Meeting
Monday, October 12, 2015

Board Members Attendance

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Attendance Status</u>
Matt Mesropian	President	Present
Barry Brooks	Vice President	Present
Jodi Daugherty	Treasurer	Present
Kaylene McDonald	Secretary	Present
Crystal Kuhn	Board Member	Present
Kim Cox	Board Member	Absent
Joel Taylor	Board Member	Present

Agenda: As Published

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Matt Mesropian called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm and started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Student Presentations – None

B. Teacher / Advisor Reports - None

C. Donna Myers – Budget / Financial Information (Donna Myers not present, information presented by Jackie Collins) – Second reading of amended budget. Brought budget back into line with new computer lab. Elementary salary budget increased.

D. Director's Report – Jackie Collins – Fall Festival and Spirit Week were a huge success. Next week trip to National Arts Schools Network in Seattle. Approximately 20 students will participate.

E. Principals' Report – First Parent Night – Technology Night had 29 parents. Next Parent Night – Growth Mind Set – December 6th. Five year accreditation visit is November 9-10. Some school board members need to be present to complete

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process. Matt Mesropian, Kaylene McDonald and Crystal Kuhn volunteered. Marie McGrath will coordinate with board members.

F. Approval of previous meeting minutes

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

III. ACTION AGENDA

A. Expansion Update: Library no longer a site of interest. Problems with existing building including heating / cooling system, exterior noise, traffic flow and structural issues. Property of interest is old Broadmore Country Club golf course. Property is already zoned for a school. Cost would be approximately \$500,000. Another property under consideration is on the corner of Colorado and Fern. Cost would be approximately \$575,000 and would have to go through zoning process. Traffic would not flow as easily.

6 year budget - \$4.2 million in bonds for land purchase and building. Interest rate around 5%

B. November meeting Mike Mussell to make proposal on new school. Construction estimate to begin in January, 2016. Advertising campaign to run January – March. Building to be completed in August and ready to begin 2016-2017 school year.

C. Site visit at golf course to be Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 2 pm. Interested board members to drive by property located at Colorado and Fern for discussion.

D. Current students of IACS will be grandfathered into middle school and high school. New students will be subject to lottery for seats in higher grades.

E. One paid free dress day on calendar for elementary students.

Policy Discussion: None

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

IV. ACTION ITEMS

Policy Meeting to be conducted Monday, November 2, 2015 at 6 pm

Next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, November 9, 2015 at 6:30 pm.

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V. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION – the Board did adjourn to Executive Session.

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 and returned to regular session.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 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.