

WHITE PINE CHARTER SCHOOL
Board of Directors Meeting - Minutes
September 25, 2018 6:30 PM

- I. **Call to Order** – 6:30 p.m. Director Lima.
- II. Director roll call Dir. Seamans, Dir. Miller, Dir. Lima, Dir. Larsen, Dir. Frugoli, Dir. Stark by phone.
- III. Pledge of allegiance Pledge of Allegiance lead by Austin Hewlett .
- IV. Approval of September Agenda – **ACTION ITEM** Amended Agenda to remove Rocky Mountain Upgrade Proposal- Dir Larsen 2nd Dir Frugoli, All in Favor, Motion Passes.
- V. Approval of August board meeting and Call In meeting minutes - **ACTION ITEM** Dir Seamans 2nd Dir Larsen, All in Favor, Motion Passes.
- VI. **Public Input** - Public input provides an opportunity for any member of the community, board, administration, staff or student body to raise an issue. The Board will receive input without comment, except to ask questions to those speaking. Comments should be limited to 3 minutes. The Board will not take a related action during the meeting, but it will address the item in writing or in the next board meeting. None
- VII. PFA Update (Murissa Morgan)-Carnival-lots of preorders, Pony Ride, Bounce House, Vending Truck-Hot Diggity Dog, Games. Box top collection has started.
- VIII. STEM class presentation (Ms. Whitworth) - Highlight-Students- The students here were nominated by their peers. Bridges Across Prosperity. Build a bridge from island to island. Spencer Mangold – trying to cross the river in Haiti. Triangles are strongest way to build a bridge. Build a bridge so they could cross during rainy season. Laramie Minor-How can villagers get on and off the bridges safely. Austin Hewlett-Get across safely. Anna Rhinehart – figured out how to stabilize her bridge. Wyatt Bakeland-Make it tall and strong. Jasmine Lima- Made my bridge out of wood dominoes. Gaberial Condit-Triangles are strong so I used that. Austin Hernandez, Tyler Jacobson, Eden Bench-Spaghetti glued together. Mrs. Whitworth- Yellowstone was a great trip. Had dinner at Pizza Pie Café, provided by the PFA. Building Roller Coasters. 8th Grade is building a city. Ammon City planners came in and talked to the 8th grade students. Ammon Pumpkin walk coming up that we are participating in. Invited to museum for a STEM day.
- IX. Financial Report (Nick Burrows)
 - i. Approval of August 2018 financials (**ACTION ITEM**)-Tracking where expected. Most of the teacher salaries are not reflected. Judy Brower looking into see if we can use the nutrition fund to help repay kitchen things. Dir. Miller- Motion to approve, Dir. Frugoli 2nd -All in Favor, Motion Passes
 - ii. School Financing Update - 524 students enrolled now. Bank of Idaho will provide a document to the charter commission that they will back us in our expansion.
 - ~~iii. Rocky Mountain Upgrade proposal (ACTION ITEM)~~
 - iv. Transportation Contract (**ACTION ITEM**)-Reflect all 4 routes. More accurate proposal. Last year \$90,000 this year \$120,000. State reimburses for the back

year so will be in the rears this year. Dir. Frugoli Motion to approve, Dir. Larsen 2nd, -All in Favor, Motion Passes.

- v. Mountain America Credit Union (**ACTION ITEM**)-checking account for \$42.00. They say easiest to close account. It was used for a CD. Dir. Seamans –Motion to authorize Nick Burrows to close the account, Dir. Stark- 2nd, All in Favor, Motion carries.

X. Regular Business

- a. Bank of Idaho (**ACTION ITEM**)-Bank of Idaho is a bank we don't have a relationship with. It would be best to have business with them. Change from US Bank to Bank of Idaho. This is complicated. Slowly start moving things over to them. Is there a game plan? Internal control risk having everything at one bank. Maybe move the student account. They would give us a Governmental loan. US Bank gave us a commercial loan. Dir. Frugoli – Motion to approve Dir. Miller- 2nd. All in Favor, Motion passes.
- b. Tech funds – Purchased carts and Ipads, Approved in Aug. Our internet bandwidth was extremely slow. We were at 30mg, now at 100mg. Remaining money on Tech funds to board.

XI. Administrator Report (Jeremy Clarke & Ken Graham)

- i. ISAT Update-State Avg. in math is 19.79% WPCS is at 32.95%, ELA State Avg. 20.58%, WPCS is at 31.92%, Science State Avg-29.21%, WPCS – 55.81%. Dir. Miller-Great job to WPCS. These numbers are great.
- ii. I-Ready report – 3-4 weeks into school year. We started right away. Aides are finalizing. Data hopefully for next board meeting. Reports for PTC.
- iii. Before and After School Activities – WPCS is part of a Conference now. We have had 2 cross country meets. Blackfoot meet we took 2nd overall and boys took 1st. Volleyball going on right now. B Team and A Team. A team has 3 wins. Oct. Girls basketball, Jan. Boys basketball. Mrs. Day and Mrs. Tracy are getting the Academic help together. Mrs. Day has a form for parents to fill out. They are scheduling and matching coaches to child. Ms. Trust-enrichment clubs-figuring out a way to bring any child to clubs. Art, Math, Science, Robotics, STEM, etc. Full class of kids rather than individual coaching.
- iv. Charter Re-Authorization Preliminary report – Phase 1-For 2019-20 modulars or we lease. 4 class rooms are what we need. Phase 2-more modulars or leasing. Phase 3-Building done. Focus group and then a poll.
- v. Marketing-Continue to update website. Yearly advertising on radio
- vi. Construction update – Mr. Clarke-Have not heard back from City of Ammon on portable classroom. Fire Marshall said yes. Waiting to here on Rain gutters. Bought snow blower.

XII. Next steps: White Pine STEM Academy charter

- a. Preparation for Thursday's call at 10:00 am-Talked with Tamara Baysinger-Understand the vision of where we are going. IDPC will be a call in 5-30 min.
- b. Idaho Public Charter Commission Oct. 11-this is a call-in not going to Boise.

XIII. Board Training: STEM education-Mr. Clarke and Ms. Whitworth are going to Boise for a STEM State Meeting in Oct. STEM is not a buzz word. It must be integrated throughout. Dedication of resources in a STEM school, why are we running slower on the internet? Have students figure it

out. STEM vs STEAM. Just learned about a STEM school in San Diego and in Phoenix. We need a partnership with local colleges and businesses. This will be a blend of something richer. Students won't just be visiting business or INL they will be working with them. To keep the STEM high school going, you have to look ahead. Be looking at what is on the horizon. Dir. Miller-why are we creating this? To prepare students for their life and their careers. 70-80% of high paying jobs are in the technology career. Maybe start a student run business. How many places out there can we help, not just be a part of? Places kids can get professional experience and help the community.

XIV. Adjournment-8:51pm.