Salt Lake Arts Academy
Governing Board APPROVED MINUTES
June 24, 2021 at 4 p.m.
Join Zoom Meeting
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Board Members Present
Anneliese Booher, John Bakken, Julie Livers, Leanne Hawken, Lon Huntsman, Matt Nelson, Rob Scott, Suyin Chong, Tatiana Mixco

Board Members Excused
Denise Begue, Melissa Block,Jennifer Goldman-Luthy,

Staff Present
Deborah Candler, Jennifer Burrow Sanchez, Jen Guillory, Katy Andrews, Moni Schwaerzler

Others Present
Giuliana - member of the public, Jim Kreeck

Note: Attendance of participants joining during the Zoom meeting may not be recorded above

1. Welcome — **Lon Huntsman** — **4:00**

2. Minutes from 5-21-21 — **All** — **4:05**
Typo - $600 should be $6000 in #6 Finance Report

MOTION: To approve the Minutes from the May 21, 2021 Governing Board Meeting, with correction
John Bakken - moved to approve
Suyin Chong - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

3. Governance Committee — **Lon Huntsman** — **4:10**
Handouts provided during the meeting

Board Nominations: Final Vote to accept nomination of Greg Ostrander

MOTION: To accept Greg Ostrander to the SLArts Board
Motion approved unanimously by show of hands

LEA-Specific License for Halie Bahr

Discussed Halie’s background, teaching experience, philosophy
Plan to accept for one year with option to extend

MOTION: To approve and apply for LEA-Specific Licensure for Halie Bahr for one year
Leanne Hawken - moved to approve
Tatiana Mixco - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

BCI Policy Vote

Matt - One of our responsibilities as Board is to keep policies up to date

Fees Policy
USBE provided a model policy - well drafted; Matt altered a tad to fit our school
Clarifies what fees can be used for, what fees are waivable and not, and how to get a fee waiver
Katy - Anything in here that we need to do differently?
Matt - A few things - e.g. cap on maximum fees, plus announced at two public meetings; request for 5th grade donations requires a blurb to be attached; cannot raise fees to subsidize other students
John - Is the maximum fee to be for every year?
Matt - The maximum cap is determined for each specific year

MOTION: To accept the modified state-based fee policy, as presented by Matt Nelson
John Bakken - moved to approve
Julie Livers - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

Background Check Policy
Matt - Bureau of Criminal Investigation does background checks
Modification to policy: SLArts Business Manager is point of contact
New board members will need to have a background check

MOTION: To pass addition to Background Check policy as presented
John Bakken - moved to approve
Tatiana Mixco - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

Add details to Financial Policy - program accounting
Matt - Specifies that accounting needs to include specific details
Moni - Will outline accounting procedures in handbook for next business manager - currently in her head

MOTION: To approve the policy as presented
Leanne Hawken - moved to approve
Tatiana Mixco - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

Sex Ed Approved Curriculum (“Maturation”)

Maturation is the proper term
This curriculum is gender-integrated and we received very positive feedback from the students this year
Communication, concept of consent enhanced in this model
USBE-approved curriculum
Tatiana - For students who do not identify as cisgender/heterosexual, is that specifically addressed in the curriculum?
Lon - This is purely maturation information
Deborah - Can look up online; also has a parent component; language used is inclusive
Jennifer - We front-load presenters to make sure they don’t block in “boy” vs “girl”

MOTION: To approve the maturation/healthy relationships curriculum
Matt Nelson - moved to approve
Tatian Mixco - seconded

Motion approved unanimously

Policies under development: Fiscal and Audit Policy, new Fee Schedule Policy

4. Approval for FY21 Final Budget and FY22 Moni Schwaerzler/John Bakken 4:30

Lon - Accounting rules are extremely complicated - Moni does a fantastic job of cross referencing, annotating, and asking for help from broad sources when needed
Moni - General overview -
Debt coverage ratio must be met
Program accounting - including grants and expenses related to Covid
ESSER 1 and 2 must be used this year - restricted
Had to reallocate student fees in accounting structure
Reviewed proposed budgets in detail

MOTION: To approve the FY21 Final Budget with 5% variance in line-items for last-minute items; TSSP money will be entered and counterbalanced.
John Bakken - moved to approve
Julie Livers - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

MOTION: To approve the estimated FY22 Final Budget with 5% variance of line-item change for last-minute items.
John Bakken - moved to approve
Rob Scott - seconded
Motion approved unanimously

5. Topics for August Board Retreat 4:50

August 10, location TBD, a few hours of business plus social to follow
Consider topics to include, e.g.:

ESSER III Funding Plan – Rough outline sent to Board in July
In August, the Board will provide feedback and review the plan

Academic Goals for the year, Data Collection
Leanne and Julie to continue; possibly add one of the new board members
Meet with Deborah

Community Re-Building
Brainstorming - Community outreach and development committee

Other?
Lon - Masks and vaccines -
Katy - Legislature passed a bill to prohibit masks in school in the fall
Can't legally require vaccination unless a vaccine is fully approved (currently have emergency approval); plus not available for under 12; plus state has not required vaccination for students and adults
Lon - Worried we will have a reaction by teachers; state is meddling in public health policy for political purposes - how will this impact us; Admin check pulse of Faculty
John - Board does not have power to manage employees, plus no power from state about this
Lon - Admin please think about how to manage this proactively
Katy - Our community has been compliant with Covid precautions; most kids over 12 will have been vaccinated; maybe in a few months under 12 may be vaccinated? Plus masks can be worn voluntarily

Tatiana - feels strongly about getting students involved in board meetings; bring student input to retreat meeting; will look into this
John - How do you envision?
Tatiana - Want students to feel they have a voice in their community; want them to realize they have power by speaking up; use 8th-grade Ambassadors? Or grade representatives? She is happy to meet with students prior to retreat

Lon - Discuss appointing a Board Secretary to help manage Board, instead of relying on Katy - will be more in compliance
Moni and John - Katy should document what she does
Katy - she is already doing so

6. Public Requests to Speak **5:00**

none

*REQUEST TO SPEAK: Persons requesting to speak to the Governing Board in an open meeting need to sign up prior to the start of the open session of the board meeting, by contacting Lon Huntsman, alonzo.huntsman@slarts.org. Resolution of questions or responses to proposals should not be expected at this meeting; staff or others may be asked to research and/or prepare materials and solutions for a later time. Up to fifteen minutes in total will be scheduled for persons requesting to speak. Three minutes will be allotted for individual requests and five minutes will be allotted for group requests. If we receive more requests than the allotted time permits, those requests may be scheduled for the next board meeting. Your concerns may be submitted in writing to the principal's office for distribution to the Governing Board at any time.

7. Closed Session

The Governing Board may move into Closed Session to discuss topics allowed under the Utah Open Meetings Law
- not needed -

Tatiana moves to close meeting
John seconds
Unanimous approval

Upcoming Events and Meetings

Governing Board Retreat and Social Kick of 2021-22, August 10, 4-7 p.m. location TBD
Governing Board Meeting, Friday, September 24, 3 p.m.
Governing Board Meeting, Friday, November 19, 3 p.m.
Governing Board Meeting, Friday, January 21, 3 p.m.
Governing Board Meeting, Friday, March 18, 3 p.m.
Governing Board Meeting, Friday, May 20, 3 p.m.
Governing Board Annual Retreat, Friday, June 17, 3 p.m.