Salt Lake Arts Academy
Governing Board Meeting
Minutes
September 18, 2023
5:30 p.m., Room 201

Board Members Present
Abby Rizk, Amy Redford, Amy Yuda, Diana Cabreles, Greg Ostrander, Jennie Stacey, John Bakken, Julie Bartel, Kelly Goff, Nick Vienneau, Shantel Stoff

Board Members Excused
Meg Orsini

Staff Present
Deborah Candler, Jen Guillory, Jennifer Burrow-Sanchez, Katy Andrews, Nicole Laird, Mindy Cook, Elizabeth Wilson

Others Present

1. **Welcome**
   Julie Bartel **5:30**

2. **Approve Minutes of Governing Board Meeting 8/18/23**
   All **5:35**

   MOTION: To approve the Minutes of Governing Board Meeting 8/18/23

   Jennie Stacey moved to approve
   Kelly Goff seconded
   Motion approved unanimously

3. **Requests to Speak**
   5:40

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 emailing Board Chair, Julie Bartel, Julie.bartel@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.

Elizabeth Wilson: - Would like to examine our drug and alcohol prevention program - it's been many years since we've had a program presented to our students. Our kids are young and we have to educate them now. Prevalence is so great and so easy to obtain.

4. **Board Committee Placements, Background Checks, Other Housekeeping**
   Julie Bartel **5:45**

Please check over lists below
Trainings needed - and please update the matrix when completed, plus forward certificates to Nicole
Board members need land trust training by Oct 31 - watch videos and that's it (about 15 minutes)
State Charter Board has many useful resources at their website
Our Governing Board serves as SEC board for a charter school

5. **Slate of Board Officers**
   Julie Bartel **5:55**

   - Vote expected

MOTION: To approve the slate of officers to the SLArts Governing Board (Governance Committee - as below)

Abby Rizk moved to approve
John Bakken seconded
Motion approved unanimously

6. **LEA Specific Licenses for Teachers in APPEL Program / Endorsement program:**

   - Denny Jo Rowe, Judson Armstrong, Tina Gilman. – Vote expected.
     Deborah Candler 6:00

Judson should be finished by December and fully licensed then
Tina's emphasis was in English and History; working on her secondary math endorsement
Denny Jo's license has expired and is having a hard time with re-upping; also working on dance endorsement
These are not "regular" licenses - they are specific to our school - we accept them as teachers here but are working toward endorsements - 7th and 8th in particular
This means our teachers are all "highly qualified"

MOTION: To approve the Denny Jo, Judson, and Tina for LEA Specific Licenses - for 3 years

Kelly Goff moved to approve
Greg Ostrander seconded
Motion approved unanimously

7. **Special Education Policies & Procedures Handbook**
   Mindy Cook 6:05

State Sped Dept updated rules, so we needed to make our own LEA specific policies and procedures
Handout distributed
Verbiage modified to align with state
"Emotional Disturbance" disability code changed to "Emotional Behavior Disability"
Other minor changes
We have about 50 Sped students (about 8%); some are only speech services; so about 42
About 5-7% of the population has disabilities; we may have slightly higher percentages because we offer services
Mindy does all the paperwork and compliance at our school
(Our marks have improved astronomically since Mindy came last year!)

- Vote expected.

MOTION: To approve the Sped Policies and Procedures Handbook

Amy Yuda moved to approve
Shantel Stoff seconded
Motion approved unanimously

8. **7th Grade Healthy Relationships Curriculum**
   Jennifer Burrow-Sanchez 6:10

- State-authorized curriculum delivered by Planned Parenthood of Utah.

This is the same curriculum we have used before
Planned Parenthood comes here and this year will talk to the 7th graders - in Humanities classes
This has been approved by the state for use in public schools
Program aligns with health standards for grade levels

- Vote expected.

MOTION: To approve using the Planned Parenthood 7th Grade Healthy Relationships curriculum

Greg Ostrander moved to approve
Abby Rizk seconded
Motion approved unanimously

9. **Finance Report**
   Nicole Laird, John Bakken 6:20

- No Bully Program purchase, Vote may be taken.

No Bully has dates this Fall to come present - retraining of longtime teachers, training new teachers, parent training, solution coach training, and leader training
Because No Bully is not a traditional "come down hard" approach, it's important for everyone to understand process
This is not just about bullying - it's conflict resolution, restorative practices, how we have a well-functioning community

MOTION: To approve using and paying for the No Bully program, and possibly splitting the cost over two years

Abby Rizk moved to approve
Diana Cabreles seconded
Motion approved unanimously

Nicole also reviewed additional expenses incurred since previous meeting - on handout
Will be fully transitioned to Peloris by the end of next month (instead of using Quickbooks)
Right on track with required reports

10. **Other Business**
11.

For accreditation, Board members are only interviewed but otherwise have no formal role

Upcoming Board Meetings:

- November 20, 5:30 p.m.
- January 22, 5:30 p.m.
- Winter Social TBD!

Board Committees, 2023-24

Governance: Julie Bartel (Chair), Greg Ostrander (Chair-Elect), John Bakken (Treasurer), Meg Orsini (Secretary)

Finance: John Bakken (Chair), Jennie Stacey, Nick Viennau, Greg Ostrander, Shantel Stoff

Development and Community Outreach: Kelly Goff (Chair), Abby Rizk, Amy Redford, Julie Bartel, Amy Yuda

Ad Hoc:

Board Policies and Procedures: Diana Cabrales, Julie Bartel, Shantel Stoff
Charter Review and Accreditation: Greg Ostrander, Nick Vienneau, Julie Bartel
School Policies and Procedures Compliance Review: Amy Yuda

Jennie moved to close meeting
Greg Ostrander seconded
All approved