Salt Lake Arts Academy
Governing Board Meeting Pending Minutes
September 16, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
844 S 200 E, Salt Lake City
Room 201

Board Members Present:
Abby Rizk, Amy Redford, Diana Cabreles (came late), Greg Ostrander, Jennie Stacey, John Bakken, Kelly Goff, Sarah Colonna, Shantel Stoff, Kimberly Venable, Nick Vienneau

Board Members Excused:
Amy Yuda, Julie Bartel,
Staff Present:
Dan Rose, Deborah Candler, Jen Guillory, Katy Andrews, Nicole Laird

1. Welcome and Introductions **(Greg Ostrander)** **5:30 PM**

2. Review and Approval of Minutes from August 13, 2024 **(All)** **5:35 PM**

Corrections: Kimberly Venable - last name needed

MOTION: I move that the Board approve the minutes of the 8/13/2024 meeting with the modifications discussed at this meeting.

Kimberly Venable moved to approve

Jennie Stacey seconded

Motion approved unanimously

3. Utah State Charter School Board (SCSB) Review Update **(Greg Ostrander)** **5:40 PM**

"20-year comprehensive review" (though we are reviewed every 5 years)
8 strengths - stable consistent enrollment, strong test outcomes, good student support, etc.
only a few weaknesses - e.g. the charter itself needs updating to reflect better accuracy, size of facility
Deborah is in contact; she points out they may not realize how much the building has expanded

4. Charter and Bylaws Update **(Greg Ostrander)** **5:45 PM**

Charter is our contract with SCSB; our organizing principles
Fairly streamlined at this point - very big picture allowing it to be a stable document
More formal review process
No surprises expected
Bylaws are internal to SLArts - not entered into with SCSB
Will move along internally, aim to adopt at our next meeting

5. Vote on Appointments **(Greg Ostrander)** **5:50 PM**

- Deborah Candler as Principal/Chief Administrative Officer
- Greg Ostrander as Chair of the Board
- Diana Cabrales as Secretary
- Shantel Stoff as Treasurer
- Nicole Laird as Business Administrator

MOTION: I move that the Board approve Deborah Candler as President under the existing Bylaws, to be automatically designated as Chief Administrative Officer upon the adoption of Bylaws permitting such designation, Greg Ostrander as Chair of the Board, with authority to chair the meetings of the Board and the Governance committee, Diana Cabrales as Secretary, Shantel Stoff as Treasurer, and Nicole Laird as the Business Administrator.

Abby Rizk moved to approve

Kelly Goff seconded

Motion approved unanimously

6. Land Trust Training/Board Housekeeping **(Greg Ostrander) 5:55 PM**

-Please be done by Sept 28
Link will be forwarded tonight
Low time investment and important to complete
-A few board members still need fingerprinting as well
Also fingerprinting is important for subbing, chaperoning
-Policies Committee - “a really exciting thing!” - and important! Amy Yuda has already done a lot, needs help
Kelly Goff and Sarah Colonna will volunteer

7. LEA Specific Licenses for Teachers **(Deborah Candler) 6:00 PM**

Jason’s license has lapsed
Sarah is a licensed teacher, but thru a technicality the state is not recognizing as a Sped teacher
Katherine Pioli’s endorsement came through
Denny Jo is a licensed teacher but does not have her dance endorsement
Kathleen Smith was licensed before - would like to get her as an LEA specific educator
We get some funding based on FTE

- ~~Jason Call, Sarah Gronlund, Katherine Pioli~~, Denny Jo Rowe, Kathleen Smith
- Vote expected

MOTION: I move that the Board approve LEA specific licenses for Denny Jo Rowe and Kathleen Smith for the 2024/2025 school year

Abby Rizk moved to approve

Amy Redford seconded

Motion approved unanimously

8. Principal's Report **(Deborah Candler) 6:05 PM**

-Positive Postcards - very positive response!
-Community Engagement personnel - they are having a presence at morning drop off to help with safety
-Safety bill - mandate how we do drills to use the same language and expectations; we use I Luv U Guys program
Markell put together two training videos
We are doing a disservice to our kids if we don't give them a "realistic" drill situation
Random times, don't pull sensitive kids
-School report card
Commendable achievement
Growth - ELL are a tich lower than state
We did not see such a big dip over Covid, and others are now catching up; and we saw a huge bump the year following Covid cf the rest of the state
Our "lowest" performing students are showing similar growth to the "higher" achievers if not higher growth
Can check at USBE website

9. Finance Report - see handout **(Nicole Laird) 6:15 PM**

-Revenues are as expected
-Some spends to report need votes (agenda for next meeting)
Replace wireless mikes in Commons; can't just replace, and soundboard too old; need replacing w/in 5 years
    -Performance Audio bid - and they would provide easier equipment plus video tutorials
    -about $7000 if we got dream list; had budgeted $3000; Katy is working on a grant to help cover
    -Nicole gave quote to other businesses who could not beat
Panic alarm - required by state - need every teacher (wearable) and every classroom; getting quotes and details
    -Alissa's law / HB84 - Standard Response Protocol
    -perhaps use Verkada? (cameras)
    -unfunded mandate 🙁 $11,000/yr
-Safety Leadership (Deborah, Markell, Nicole) are the only people who are allowed to know status of school Guardian (school employee volunteer); training includes Concealed Carry, Marksmanship, and Mental competency
-All reporting to state will eventually need to go through USIMS - Nicole following up

10. Requests to Speak* 6:25 PM

*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 Greg Ostrander at greg.ostrander@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.

11. Adjournment 6:30 PM

MOTION: I move to adjourn the meeting

John Bakken moved to approve

Shantel Stoff seconded

Motion approved unanimously

12. Committee Break Out Session