

Board of Trustees Meeting
December 17, 2024
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location:

Virtual via Zoom

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AGENDA

Note: For any topics marked with an asterisk, the allocated time is for questions, should they arise, from the information in the corresponding document in the Board packet.

ID	Subject	Action Required	Topic	Owner	Time
1	Announcements	N/A	a) Welcome and Announcements	a) Rudy	a) 2 minutes
2	Board Business	Board Votes	a) Approval of November Board Meeting Minutes	a) Rudy	a) 1 minute
3	Enrollment	N/A	a) Attendance Update b) Enrollment Update c) Upcoming Events- Calendar	a) Jody b) Rusty/Jody c) Jody	a) 1 minute b) 5 minutes c) 3 minutes
4	Academics	N/A	a) ANET – Benchmark Assessment 1	a) Natalie/Jody	a) 10 minutes
5	Finance	N/A	a) Finance Report- November	a) Rusty	b) 5 minutes
6	Executive Session	N/A	a) Executive Session	a) Exec Committee	a) 10 minutes (TBD)

*Please note that the order of events noted on the agenda may change.

¹ Anticipated length of time

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The Board is transitioning toward in-person board meetings. There will be at least one per quarter

Board members present by Zoom: Rudy Austin, Heather Northrop, Ross Harold, Jennifer Peña- Detata, Rachel Klein, Rob Fratto, Jay Hatfield, Fernando Garcia

Others present: Jody Flowers (Principal), Natalie Gonzalez-Valdes (Assistant Principal), Rusty Slovenic (Asst. Principal)

Board members absent: Jennifer Estrella

The meeting began at approximately 5:31 p.m. and was called to order by Rudy Austin.

1. *Welcome.* Rudy Austin welcomed all attendees to the December Meeting.
2. *Minutes.* Upon motion duly made, the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from the November 2024 Board meeting.
3. *Attendance & Enrollment Update.*

Enrollment is at 246. An additional ongoing student who is not attending has shown up on the roster. Two new students joined after that plus another student was removed from the roster. Recruitment has begun, Mr. Slovenia visited a recruitment event at a day care center working a table and will continue to go to other events for nurses. Has done additional outreach at homeless shelters, will include outreach to hair salons and laundromats. Data is being tracked about who they are visiting. Mailers are going out soon and the school leadership team anticipates positive feedback based upon historical data.

Ms. Flowers shared the event calendar and shared information about a recent successful Snowy Day film viewing. A number of families showed up at an Honors ceremony today. Career Day is slated for January 22nd.

Attendance was at 88%. It has dipped a little, but the school continues to meet regularly with families and the leadership team to support and understand families needs so their students can attend school.

4. *Academics Update.*

Ms Flowers shared information about the latest benchmark assessment that included a pull-out of how the school performed. Open response points supported students' scores and were not as strong with

multiple choice tests, which improved overall results. A question was asked about whether computer use on the exam contributed to lower scores, Ms. Flowers indicated that it is easier to get a higher score on an open response rather than something that has one concrete answer. Ms. Gonzalez shared math assessment data. In contrast to ELA results, students did better when the question was multiple choice than an open response area, meaning this will need to be targeted. The leadership team has been doing more to ask teachers to use assessment to understand how much students understand what was taught in the lesson and working to enhance that process and review of outcomes. Ms. Gonzalez and Ms. Flowers both shared strategies they use to support teachers to use data and intervene with students. Data was shared specifically about how special education students are performing compared to their peers in class. They also shared an example of how they follow up with teachers and look at individual students' data and talked through these examples.

5. *Finance Update* - Mr. Slovenic shared the finance report. There was some changes in funding based upon changes in Special education and FTE. That number has increased and will likely fluctuate slightly over the course of the year. The current deficit sits at \$527,000. Miscellaneous revenue will increase once more CDs mature in January.

The Board meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

The next Board meeting is expected to take place on January 28, 2025 at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Harold

Secretary