



Achievement House Cyber Charter School Board of Trustees

Public Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 16, 2018

The Executive Session commenced at 6:00 p.m. and continued until approximately 7:20 p.m.

- I.** Pledge of Allegiance
- II.** Roll Call
 - Mrs. Marilou Strangarity (President)
 - Mr. Jim Bowers (Vice President)
 - Mrs. Kristin Chettle (Treasurer)
 - Mr. Don Fraatz (Secretary)
 - Dr. Bob Maranto
 - Lisabeth Sweeney
- III.** Notification of Recording
 - A.** Marilou Strangarity announced that the Public Session would be recorded on an audio device.
- IV.** Executive Session Statement
 - A.** M. Strangarity announced that the Executive Session was held to discuss finance and personnel matters.
- V.** Statement from the Board President
 - A.** M. Strangarity asked employees of the school who were in attendance to please pass on a message of thanks from her. She is thrilled and overjoyed by the connections that teachers and staff are making with students in the hopes that families will be positively affected. She especially appreciates the winter coat collection started by Brittanie Strachko and the parent involvement activities, and, in general, the programs, the effort, the time, and the collaborate between all teachers and staff to make the school do what it's supposed to – help families.
- VI.** Approval of Minutes from 9/18/2018 Board Meeting
 - A.** M. Strangarity called for a motion to approve the minutes from the 9/18/2018 board meeting.
 - 1.** Motion to approve the minutes from the 9/18/2018 board meeting by Kristin Chettle
Seconded by Jim Bowers. Unanimous.
- VII.** Discussion of Academic Video Report
 - A.** M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the Academic Video Report.
 - 1.** Don Asplen shared that Neal Thomas, along with several other colleagues, is at an MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) conference to learn about any updates to the program and ways of implementing strategies.
- VIII.** Discussion of SPED Video Report
 - A.** M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the SPED Video Report.
 - 1.** D. Asplen shared that Lisa Russo is also at the MTSS conference, but that she wanted the board to know that the Special Ed Department recently hit a milestone – currently, 40% of the student population at AHCCS has an IEP. This is equivalent to just over 200 students.
 - 2.** Ryan Schumm asked how many students are identified by AHCCS as having an IEP vs. how many come to AHCCS with an IEP.

- a. D. Asplen shared that the Special Ed Department identifies students when necessary, but the large majority come to the school with an IEP.

IX. Discussion Enrollment/Marketing Video Report

A. M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the Enrollment/Marketing Video Report.

1. Alane Butler shared that the current enrollment is 512. She then shared a story about two current students, both 12th graders, who are living together and have a baby together and how AHCCS is working for them.

a. M. Strangarity asked how long both students have been at AHCCS.

i. A. Butler was unsure but said she would find out and report back.

2. Veronica Farr and D. Asplen discussed the school's participation at a Kid's Tech Exploration Day at Turn5 on Saturday, October 13th. AHCCS had an outstanding drone exhibit that over 100 students participated in. They also had drone flights every 30 minutes for students to observe.

X. Discussion HR Video Report

A. M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the HR Video Report, but there were none.

XI. Discussion of Guidance Video Report

A. M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the Guidance Video Report.

1. M. Strangarity stated that she observed from the video report Jane Moneta's excitement about tracking student success earlier in the year. She asked why that process was started earlier.

a. D. Asplen shared that one of his goals for the year was for everyone to focus on their individual department goals each month. This is a result of that initiative.

2. D. Asplen shared that Dr. Jean Mason, consultant for the Special Ed department, reported that 82-84% of the potential graduates with IEPs are currently on track to graduate.

XII. Finance/Business Report

A. Ryan Schumm provided the monthly Treasurer's Report.

1. He stated that the report reflects activity for the first quarter of fiscal year 2019, though it is not a true representation of 25% of anticipated fiscal activity, as it only includes 10% of the months that school is in session.

2. He also explained the yellow status in the Dashboard, explaining that it represents the PDE's ever-evolving willingness to cooperate with charter schools in processing the subsidy redirection. Though it is getting worse, the school's cash flow and position is actually really good due to the fact that enrollment is up and that big ticket items were paid up front and will tail off as the year progresses.

B. M. Strangarity called for a motion to approve the written Treasurer's Report.

1. Motion to approve the written Treasurer's Report by K. Chettle. Seconded by J. Bowers. Unanimous.

XIII. Discussion CEO Video Report

A. M. Strangarity asked if there were any questions or comments about the CEO Video Report.

1. D. Asplen apologized for the trouble with the link to his video report.

XIV. Governance/Personnel

A. Though there is nothing to be approved, D. Asplen did share that a temporary receptionist has been hired and she seems to be working out well.

- B.** M. Strangarity asked if Special Education teachers are still being sought.
 - 1.** D. Asplen confirmed that the school is still looking to employ Special Education teachers. He stated that there was a very promising candidate today who will come back for a second interview.

XV. New Business

- A.** M. Strangarity asked if there was any new business.
 - 1.** D. Asplen shared that schools are now required to have a Title IX Coordinator who coordinates a school's compliance with equity disputes and other related discrimination laws. He spoke with AHCCS Solicitor, Brian Leinhauser, who confirmed that HR Director Bob Worn can also wear this hat.
 - 2.** D. Asplen will check with B. Leinhauser to see if/how this position should be posted on the school's public website.

XVI. Public Comment

- A.** M. Strangarity opened the floor to public comment, but there was none.

XVII. Adjournment

- A.** M. Strangarity called for a motion to adjourn the public board meeting.
 - 1.** Motion to adjourn the public board meeting by J. Bowers. Seconded by D. Fraatz. Unanimous.