

MINUTES
of the meeting of
Oasis Academy Board of Directors
on Wednesday, September 21, 2022

The Oasis Academy Board of Directors held a public meeting on September 21, 2022 beginning at 7:00 PM. This meeting was held in person with options to also attend telephonically or virtually. A recording of the meeting and all documents referenced can be found online at www.oasisacadamyfallon.us in the board folder.

Call to order; **Samantha Gomes called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM**

Katie Dahl- Present

Sage Hiibel- Present

Mark Feest- Present

Frank Woodliff- Present

Lisa Bird- Present

Samantha Gomes- Present

1. Public Comment #1:

Please note: A full recording of comments can be found in the board folder online about public comments and meeting recordings. Public can talk only on public comment and no topic at the end. (Not on the agenda).

No public comments.

2. Consent Agenda

Frank Woodliff would like to pull (c) High School co curricular eligibility policy update.

Katie Dahl makes a motion to approve everything on the consent agenda except for Item C, high school co curricular eligibility policy update.

Lisa Bird seconds the motion.

All in favor

Motion Carried

Melissa Mackedon and Dusty Casey explained what was changed in the NIAA. Frank Woodliff had a question about the 2.0 GPA to be eligible and believes it should at least be at a 2.5 GPA to provide incentive to be involved in co-curricular

activities.

Melissa Mackedon stated that we already have a more strict rule than the NIAA (2 Ds or an F). She is not in favor of raising it any higher. Dusty Casey states we have a more strict policy when it comes to progress checks during the semester and we are now also doing quarterly checks. In section 4 it states, maintain 2.0 on a 4.0 scale for the immediately preceding quarter or semester. He took out "and an average of 75% for all classes, during the immediately preceding semester." because of the new quarter and semester checks.

The board discussed the policy and voiced their opinions. They discussed the kids and how sports affect their involvement in school. The NIAA took away the penalty of being ineligible for 9 weeks, and the student would end up missing a whole sports season. The idea behind the policy is to keep them participating and keep their grades up. Being in sports helps, depending on the kids. Now they will be monitored more often and have an incentive to get their grade up before the 3 week check to be eligible.

Katie Dahl makes a motion to approve the Co curricular academic eligibility policy.

Mark Feest seconds the motion

Majority agrees, 1 opposes

Motion Carries

3. Appointment of new board member, Anne Bloomfield (Samantha Gomes)

Katie Dahl spoke about interviewing Anne Bloomfield and is proposing to have her placed on our board tonight.

Katie Dahl makes a motion to appoint Anne Bloomfield as a member of the Oasis Academy Board

Mark Feest seconds the motion

All in Favor

Motion Carried

4. Annual Board Meeting and election of officers

Every year it is discussed who is on the board and who wants to stay on the board, also the officer positions.

Officers are as follows:

Mark Feest as Secretary

Frank Woodliff as Treasurer

Lisa Bird nominated as Vice President
Samantha Gomes as President

Mark Feest moves to elect Samantha Gomes as President, Lisa Bird as Vice President, Frank Woodliff as Treasurer and Mark Feest as Secretary
Sage Hiibel seconds the motion
All in favor
Motion carried

Current Committees and Members:

Governance Committee: Samantha Gomes, Katie Dahl and Mark Feest
Finance Committee: Frank Woodliff and Sage Hiibel
Academic Excellence Committee: Lisa Bird and Samantha Gomes

Lisa Bird stated she would like to join Finance and slowly move out of Academic Excellence. Melissa Mackedon stated during Anne's interview, she indicated she felt she could add the most to Academic Excellence.

5. CEO Administration & Facilities Update to include: facilities updates, enrollment update, special education funding update, SPCSA update, personnel update, and public relations

Melissa Mackedon gave an update on enrollment and facilities. They had their first meeting with the Building Committee to discuss and they planned to plot out some different ideas and play around with the layout of the Venturacci property. Gave a financing update about Nevada State Bank and our financial projections and debt capacity. Also, talked about a fund for charter schools in NV, Equitable Facilities Fund. We were awarded another grant, and have until the 30th of September to spend the money. Helped pay salary for special ed staff for the first 2 months.

We hired a part time custodian and the Life Skills teacher. Melissa and Rochelle were on NV News Makers. Also, gave an update on other public relations, community activities, school activities and Social Media growth. Rochelle and Melissa are going to Vegas Friday morning for the Charter Association of Nevada School Conference.

6. Academic Progress update to include but not limited to: beginning of school activities, test scores.

Rochelle Tisdale spoke of Professional Development and they are focusing on their curriculum (Singapore Math, Wonders Reading and Amplified Science.) Jessica Barr will be back to work with the teachers. Her presentation was shared with the board members
A new testing for the HS is SBAC, offering a smarter balanced assessment. Gave update on the seniors enrolled in college. Currently have 2 student teachers working at Oasis Academy.
The FFA participated in Green Hand and is planning for Nationals in October. All the rest of the Science curriculum arrived today and should be available to the teachers by Monday.

7. Financial Update & Co Curricular Update may include: monthly transaction report, quarterly financials, budget to actuals report, finance commission update, co curricular report.

Dusty Casey spoke on bank balances, our audit is underway through Schettler Macy and Associates, once the final draft is complete it will be presented to the Board.

Commission on School Funding update, The final meeting is coming up to finalize their recommendations and finalize the full CSF report to be sent to the Legislature and Governor's office

Co Curricular: Fall Sports are underway and playing as weather allows.

8. Board Committee Updates

Governance Committee Agenda dated 8-30-22 and 9-8-22: Katie Dahl spoke about the policies that were spoken about tonight and they were approved tonight in consent agenda.

Academic Excellence 9-13-22: Melissa Mackedon spoke about the meeting from last week; started with the teachers that joined the meeting, also combined the first meeting for our School Improvement Plan. The teacher also helped with feedback and conversation for the school's values and the meaning. Lots of feedback from the teachers on what is happening in the classrooms.

Finance Committee Agenda dated 9-12-22: Frank Woodliff spoke about discussing the security updates, and trying to get the best deals possible. Backup power was discussed and our needs for it, Inequitable SE dollars were discussed, attorneys are working on this and deciding if there is a case. FY22 Actuals discussed and updated Credit Card policy. Spoke on what Dusty Casey shared about the school's dollars and ways to divide expenses. Long term financial forecasts were discussed.

9. Approval of new mission statement, core belief statement, and value statements.(Public Comment)

No Public Comment

Melissa Mackedon spoke about the mission statement and putting some definitions behind the values. Mission Statement is already being used and all the hard work that was put into it to make it something meaningful.

Katie Dahl makes a motion to approve the Core Belief, Mission Statement, and Values

Frank Woodliff seconds the motion

All in favor

Motion carried

10. Approval to move forward with building a high school on Venturacci property owned by the school. (Public Comment)

No Public Comment

Melissa Mackedon spoke about making this a public movement/record that we are going to build a High School on the Venturacci property.

The board discussed the tentative schedule of moving forward with building a new high school and what exactly they are being asked to approve today.

After being discussed, the board decided a motion is not needed at this time. The building committee will gather information needed to move forward with building the HS and will bring information to the board.

11. Approval to purchase two lots adjacent to Venturacci property (Public Comment)

No Public Comment

Melissa Mackedon went over the property we currently own and 2 other properties they want to purchase (about 1 acre each). Wanted to bring this to the board and have an offer on one of the properties on contingency of full board approval.

The board discussed the lots in question. It is up to the board if they want to keep pursuing the lots, and are they interested in bringing back the cost to the board.

No motion is needed at this time.

12. (11.) Approval of Charter Renewal Application

Melissa Mackedon spoke about the Charter Renewal and there is an application to fill out and there are some areas that will be updated before October 1, when the application will be sent to the SPCSA and all documents needed, to include this meeting's agenda and minutes.

Katie Dahl makes a motion to approve the Charter Renewal for submission to the SPCSA

Lisa Bird seconds the motion

All in favor

Motion carried

13. Nevada School Performance Data for elementary, middle and high school. (Public Comment)

No public comment

Melissa Mackedon spoke about the training that was sent and how it explains all the slides provided in the packet. The reports were gone over briefly for the Elementary, High school and Middle School, and how Jessica Barr gave insight on how to make improvements in the areas we need to grow. We will have a school improvement plan (GOALS) for every level. The board discussed the results.

Discussion Only

14. Public Comment (for items not on the agenda)

No Public Comments

15. Adjournment 8:24 PM