



Independence Academy

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Board Meeting Agenda

Monday May 22, 2023

5:00 P.M-Commons Area

Meeting called to order: 5:15 pm

Role Call:

Present:

Sherry Price

Jermiah Fenske

Hadassa Berger

Absent:

Brandy Savoni

Brad Thompson

I. Staff and Student Celebrations:

A. None at this time

- II. Public Comment:** Time-limited TBA – individuals may make public comments, limited to items on the agenda, and two (2) minutes. The Governing Board asks that each member complete a public comment card, available in the front office, prior to commencement of the meeting. Public comment cards should be given to the Executive Director who will then deliver them to the Governing Board President.

A. None at this time

III. Approval of the April 24, 2023 Board Minutes.

Motion: Jeremiah Fenske

Second: Hadassa Berger

Vote: 3-0 vote passes

IV. Approval of the April, 2023 Financials.

Motion: Hadassa Berger

Second: Jeremiah Berger

Vote: 3-0 vote passes

V. Review and approval of the budget for the 2023/2024 school year.

Motion: Hadassa Berger

Second: Jeremiah Fenske

Vote: 3-0 vote passes

VI. Review and discussion on the Independence Academy Fund Balance Appropriation

Resolution-Our PPR for next year - 10,03351 vs. 9043 from 22/23

Our budget will be based on 455 students even though our numbers are closer to 465

Our 22/23 budget was 4,114,565

Our 23/24 budget will be 4,565,247 a difference of 450,682

Add pre k which will be up from 95,000 to 245,905 a difference of 150,905

With all Mill Levy money we will be working with a 5,265,498 budget in 23/24

All ESSR funds were spent this year

Motion: Hadassa Berger

Second: Jeremiah Fenske

Vote: 3-0 vote passes

VII. Executive Director's Report.

A. Operations

1. The new floor plans and pictures for the auditorium are finished so we can use them to help raise money for the build.
2. Our Charter still is up in the air as I have not heard anything back from the district but our lawyer is working on a draft we will turn into them so that we are situated. Amber DeCarli said since she has to write it it will contain all pro charter language.

B. Instruction/Assessment

1. We had 98% of students test in elementary and 97% in middle school so we hit major benchmarks for participation for our school.

C. Community Outreach

1. Change for Change raised \$7,000 for Dos Rios and will deliver bags of food to the school on Tuesday - including \$4000 from community sponsors
2. Robotics day was May 4th and was sponsored again this year by Alpine bank - the theme was Mars recovery and students researched major disasters and the recovery from those major disasters - the kids had a great time and Alpine bank has agreed to keep this tradition moving into next year.
3. The Arts and Music festival was a BIG success this year and the Phoenix Family raised \$3700 from the silent auction, which will go to help support the arts programs.
4. Wild Wild West Fest put on by the middle school was a huge success - they taught elementary school all about the wild west.

D. Events Calendar

1. Continuation is at 10:00 am on Wednesday 5/24 with a reception to follow
2. We will have an Ice cream truck coming on the last day of school to celebrate the year with students

E. Facilities Report

1. We are going to keep our cleaning crew on to do a deep clean of the classrooms over summer - rather than doing it all ourselves

VIII. Executive Session CRS Section 24-6-402 (4)(f)

C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) The members of a local public body subject to this part 4, upon the announcement by the local public body to the public of the topic for discussion in the executive session, including specific citation to the provision of this subsection (4) authorizing the body to meet in an executive session and identification of the particular matter to be discussed in as much detail as possible without compromising the purpose for which the executive session is authorized, and the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the quorum present, after such announcement, may hold an executive session only at a regular or special meeting and for the sole purpose of considering any of the following matters; except that no adoption of any proposed policy, position, resolution, rule, regulation, or formal action, except the review, approval, and amendment of the minutes of an executive session recorded pursuant to subparagraph (II) of paragraph (d.5) of subsection (2) of this section, shall occur at any executive session that is not open to the public.

Adjourned: 6:15 pm