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Regular School Board Meeting – 6:30 PM, Tuesday, August 8, 2017
Arkansas Arts Academy PAC – High School Campus

Minutes

1. Call to order: 6:30 PM

2. Roll Call:

Present: Mary Ley, Dave Russell, Tony Beardsley, Joe DeRouen, Howard Alsdorf, Alicia Knotts, Asele Mack

Absent: Anthony Porchia

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments:

None

President Beardsley commented that Public Comments cannot be made regarding personnel matters.

5. Consent Agenda:

Dave Russell made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Joe DeRouen seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0.

6. New Business:

Ms. Padgett presented a High School Update. There was a great start to the year despite the construction. The Car line has been running smooth with all staff assisting with car duty and being proactive. Schedule changes have been slow due to ESchool down time. There are several classes that are full.

Ms. Padgett also presented a handbook and stated gender neutral change is the only major change. Mr. DeRouen stated that are discrepancies between the K-8 and HS handbook and would like them to be consistent. Appoving the handbook has been tabled until a consistent one can be presented.

Mr. Young presented a K-8 update. He thanked the PTA for open house. First day of school has gone well and he has great new hires. He thanked the board for the approval of the AP position and the hire of David Skelton. On the 26th of August, the K-8 will be signing the National Anthem at the Arvest Ballpark and ½ pOur roceeds will be given to Music Department.

Ms. Ley discussed the Vision Committee and will be sending emails for dates of meetings.

Ms. Ley discussed and presented a growth opportunity for the High School by bringing the 7th and 8th graders over to the high school in August 2018. This will allow more classes to be formed at the K-8 to accommodate the waiting list. She will be presenting this to the staff and then the public next week.

Ms. Ley reminded the Board and public the ground breaking is set for August 15th at 5 pm.

Our AdvanceEd and Charter Renewal are due by September 28th with final decision on the renewal by the State in January.

7. Discussion of items since publication of the agenda:

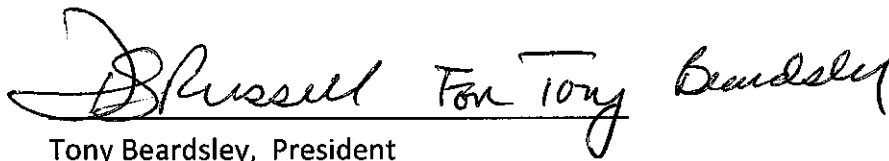
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8. Personnel: Hiring/Renewal/Promotion/Demotion/Transfer/Non-Renewal/Termination

Board moved to executive session.

After executive session and discussion with Ms. Padgett and Ms. Ley, the Board accepted the resignation of Ms. Barbara Padgett, the High School Principal effective 8/8/17.

9. Adjournment: approximately 9:40 PM

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Russell For Tony Beardsley". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Tony Beardsley, President