

****Draft** NPA Board Meeting Minutes 5/9/23**

Location: NPA High School

Members present: Dr. Bob Ziemer, Jim Hilton, Danise Tomlin

HCOE Board Liaison: August Deshais

NPA Board Resource: Dr. Michael Bazemore

Secretary of the Board: Letty Podesta

The meeting was called to order at 4:08

Public Comments

Danise Tomlin discussed with the board her visit to NPA. During her visit, she enjoyed sitting in on Adam Hess and Michael Masinter's class. Michael Bazemore brought up the possibility of scheduling a visit for other Board members.

Reports and Discussions

The board reviewed and discussed the NPA consent warrants. Areas of focus included rent on the middle and high school facilities, the lunch program costs, and field trips. Michael Bazemore added that incoming revenue that offsets some expenditures reflected in the consent warrants. Acquiring donations for the school lunch program was encouraged by the board.

The board discussed improving NPAs carbon footprint. Solar panels were suggested by the board. August Deshais commented that Ridgewood Elementary's installation of solar panels had no actual cost savings, but did have carbon footprint savings.

The board discussed charter renewal. Michael reported that the renewal date is set for June 30, 2024 and extensions may be put in place by the state.

Michael Bazemore reported that AP and IB examinations are going well. The upcoming special events are the Senior Picnic, trips, Cotillion, Artist's Diploma exhibitions and performances, and graduation. He share with the board about the recent May Day Celebration, which is led by the seniors.

Michael Bazemore reported that the high school spring parent evenings and the middle school meetings for all grades levels generated positive feedback from parents on the process and goals for the school's LCAP. The board enquired about parent involvement at these events. Michael Bazemore informed the board that parent input was about 80+%, depending on grade level.

The board acknowledged that the evaluation of solutions for the Annex property are in process. All potential solutions are being evaluated by Young, Minney, and Corr, so as to avoid any possible conflict of interest.

Michael Bazemore reported Kelley Withers from HCOE is working on a draft budget. It is projected that the ending balance may take a slight dip, but is expected to rise in the multi-year projections. This dip is due primarily to increased needs in the middle school population, including one-on-one student aids.

Information/Action Item

Danise Tomlin moved to approve the previous meeting minutes. Jim Hilton seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Jim Hilton moved to approve the consent warrants. Dr. Bob Ziemer seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Jim Hilton moved to approve Michael Bazemore as the HDNL Voting Representative. Dr. Bob Ziemer seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Approval of Annual Audit/No findings Letter: Danise Tomlin moved to approve the annual audit/no findings letter. Dr. Bob Ziemer seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00