

****Draft**** NPA Board Meeting Minutes 11/14/2023

Location: NPA High School

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

NPA Board resource: Michael Bazemore

Board Secretary: Letty Podesta

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 pm.

Public Comments

No public comment was made.

Reports and Discussion

The board discussed the high school field trip to the Organic Matters Ranch. The students learned about the ranch's organic farming practices and were offered to come back and volunteer. Volunteering would include preparing the field for planting and making the walking paths/corn maze.

Michael Bazemore reported that the 23rd Annual Halloween House was attended by the NPA middle school & Trinidad Elementary. He also noted that some of NPAs alumni attended the halloween house. It was a wonderful event, filled with teamwork, collaboration, and creativity!

The board reviewed the fall sports season. The NPA highschool volleyball was competitive and consistently demonstrated good sportsmanship during contests with other schools. By invitation the team played at South Fork's Homecoming game. The high school's cross country team had many personal bests. NPA's girls' tennis had another strong season, finishing second in the league, and making it to the finals in 7 of the 9 brackets at HDN's.

Michael Bazemore reported that the Annex property was being appraised. Amy Hunt, a property lawyer, is drawing up the paperwork to transfer the property to the foundation.

Once again NPA brought singers from the San Francisco Opera to Humboldt for performances with our students. The highschool performance of Opera Together was originally scheduled at Arkley Center. Due to a power outage, the performance was moved to the Arcata Playhouse. The NPA middle school and Union Street Charter attended the performance at the Masonic Lodge. Both performances were excellent, and as a result of the performance an NPA sophomore and an NPA freshman were selected to perform with the opera singers in San Francisco in an elite group of students from around the state.

Michael Bazemore reported that the Senior Parent night is scheduled for this evening. Prior parent evenings have gone well this year, and this will be the final parent evening of the Fall Semester.

The board discussed the planned use of Title IV funds, which will be used to support teacher training and education at IB-approved workshops. Teachers are able to attend workshops and stay up to date on the entire curriculum.

The board discussed the renewal of local assignments (EC44258.3).

Information/Action Item

Becca Hall moved to approve the previous minutes. Jim Hilton seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Danise Tomlin moved to approve the fall semester stipends. Becca Hall seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Bob Ziemer moved to approve the local assignments. Becca Hall seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Jim Hilton moved to approve the Title IV Spending Plan. Becca Hall seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:53