

**Idaho Virtual Academy
Board of Director's
Regular Board Meeting
April 17, 2018**

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ESTABLISH QUORUM:

The meeting was called to order and confirmed a quorum established at 7:34 p.m.

C. ROLL CALL:

<i>Seat</i>	<i>Occupant</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Position 1	Not in use by Directors			
Position 2	Director Sankovich	(7/18)	X	
Position 3	Director Handeen	(7/19)		X
Position 4	Director MacConnell	(7/20)	X	
Position 5	Director Krein	(7/21)	X	
Position 6	Director Thompson	(7/18)	X*	

*Joined in progress during Action, Business, Doctoral Research Project

Positions and Terms pursuant to Policy 103.0

The meeting was directed by Director Krein in the absence of Chairman Handeen.

Others in attendance:

Kelly Edginton, Head of School
Mike Groshong, Board Clerk and H.R. Director
Allen Wegner
Heidi Higgins
Amber Hatrock
Andrea Hampton
Jenny Whelan
Amanda Judd
Alex Judd
Amy White
Becky Fisher
Keri Brown
Terri Sorensen

Open Teleconference line

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. PROCEDURAL NOTE:

Additions, Corrections, or Substitutions to the posted Agenda.

There were no changes to the posted Agenda.

B. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC INPUT:

No member of the public sought to address the Board.

C. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION:

No information was scheduled or presented.

D. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION:

1. Head of School Report:

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with information regarding current school activities taking place including ISAT and IRI assessments through mid-May. On May 11th there will be school events taking place statewide.

Ms. Edginton also presented the Directors with information regarding attendance and participation at the Idaho Prevention & Support Conference Report

- On April 12 and 13, seven Idaho Virtual Academy staff attended the 25th annual Idaho Prevention and Support Conference in Sun Valley. Funded entirely by the Safe and Drug Free Schools grant awarded to IDVA, the attendees participated in two keynote presentations, and six breakout sessions focused on cultivating a safe school rich with social emotional learning. Topics included the impact of trauma on learning, supporting parents of students with mental health issues, building resilience through positive interactions, youth safety in a digital world, community resource partnerships, and many more. Overall, all staff reflected positively on their learning, each capturing multiple items of practical ideas and inspiration. Beyond the learning, unique networking opportunities presented themselves, which will benefit IDVA. Alex connected with the Program Manager for the Idaho Division of Building Safety Office of School Safety and Security, and is going to engage in conversations with him on reviewing the school's crisis plan and addressing the unique challenges of our face-to-face testing safety protocols. Additionally, staff connected with the Executive Director of the Idaho Children's Trust Fund,

recruiting him to speak on Adverse Childhood Experiences during the 2018-2019 start of school professional development.

Ms. Edginton's presentation included a number of slides of information. The Directors asked for Ms. Edginton to provide a copy of the slides to Directors and she did such, electronically, during the course of the meeting.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

All matters listed under the consent Agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the Agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board voting on them.

- 1. Approval of Minutes of March 2018 Regular Meeting.**
- 2. Approval of March 2018 Monthly Invoices.**
- 3. Approval of K12 Invoice.**
- 4. Approval of Payment to K12.**
- 5. Approval of March 2018 Check Register for website posting.**
- 6. Approval of March 2018 Financial Report.**
- 7. Enrollment Report.**

The Directors were presented with the Consent Agenda items for consideration and possible approval. No questions were asked and no Director sought to pull any individual item from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Motion was made by Director MacConnell to approve all matters in the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director Sankovich.
Motion approved unanimously.

IV. SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

A. BUSINESS:

- 1. Leadership Premiums Approvals – Presentation by Department.**
 - a. K-5 Keri Brown**
 - b. 6-12 – Jenny Whelan**
 - c. Special Education – Amanda Judd**

Ms. Edginton introduced the subject matter of leadership premiums and addressed the Board's recent change in policy as to the number and manner of approval of such premiums.

The Department Administrators detailed the process that was utilized in order to

identify candidates to put before the Board for approval of leadership premium awards. Each also detailed the virtues of the selected employees and how they have contributed to the school's environment, students and staff. The K-12 Administration explained the process utilized to identify the categories of potential teacher awards. As the votes from the teacher groups were tallied, the natural results at the 6-12 grade levels ended up with a good breakdown of personnel across various departments, as opposed to the structure of possible awards being based by department.

The individuals recommended for leadership premiums were as follows:

- **Special Education department nominee**
 - Cris Bauer
- **K5 department nominee**
 - Tami Waski
- **6-12 department nominees**
 - **Culture:**
 - No'el Tew
 - Michelle Boggs
 - **Student Driven:**
 - Becky Ipsen
 - **Communication:**
 - Kellsie Kater
 - **Teamwork:**
 - Angela Farnes
 - Misty Dietz

Motion was made by Director MacConnell to approve the Leadership Premium Awards, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director Sankovich
Motion approved unanimously.

Ms. Edginton indicated that the school provides various other leadership funds to teachers. During the regularly scheduled meeting of next month, the Administration will bring information as to the other awards that are given to school personnel in this regard.

2. Action Research Request by Doctoral Student – Terri Sorenson

Ms. Edginton introduced the subject matter of a requested Research Request by Ms. Sorenson. Ms. Sorenson is working on her doctoral degree and a suggestion and recommendation was received by Heidi Curtis, former IDVA Principal and now professor at NNU, regarding this matter.

The information regarding the requested research was provided to the Directors in

writing. As this research relates to Special Education in the virtual setting, Ms. Judd was also involved with the review process of the proposal. Having had her questions satisfactorily answered, she is in agreement with the project.

Ms. Edginton detailed what responsibilities the school would have with regard to the project. Ms. Sorensen responded to a number of questions from Directors.

Motion was made by Director Thompson to approve request for participation in the Doctoral Student Research project, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director Sankovich.
Motion approved unanimously.

3. Research Request by Master's Student – Becky Fisher

Ms. Edginton introduced a second request for participation in a research project. Ms. Fisher, a special education teacher at the school, presented information regarding her request. She responded to inquiries from the Directors.

The Directors expressed appreciation for her service to the school's students.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve requested research project, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director Thompson.
Motion approved unanimously.

4. Amended School Start Schedule SY 2018-2019– Kelly Edginton

Ms. Edginton presented information regarding this matter to the Directors. No additional questions were addressed.

Motion was made by Director Thompson to approve the amendments to the 2018-2019 School Start Schedule, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director MacConnell.
Motion approved unanimously.

5. Policy Readings

Policy 950.1 (amended) – 1st Reading

Ms. Edginton presented the policy and detailed the changes being proposed and the reasons for such proposals. She provided some background information with regard to the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance program in the school setting.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve the amendments to Policy 950.1, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director Thompson.
Motion approved unanimously.

Policy 903.2 (amended) – 2nd Reading
Policy 902.7 (amended) – 2nd Reading
Policy 902.5B (amended) – 2nd Reading

Ms. Edginton presented the three interrelated policies to the Directors for a second reading. She detailed the changes in general as well as the changes that were made in relation to the comments of the Board during the presentation at the first reading.

Ms. Edginton responded to questions and comments from the Directors.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve the amendments to Policy 903.2, 902.7 and 902.5B, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director MacConnell.
Motion approved unanimously.

Policy 902.6 (amended) – 1st Reading

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with proposed amendments to Policy 902.6. She also explained to the Directors why “comments” have been shown to the Directors on the drafts of proposed policies.

There are approximately 108 dually enrolled students. There have been concerns regarding their ability to simultaneously function, successfully, in two different settings, as has been illustrated by some of the historical experience.

Ms. Edginton responded to Director’s inquiries.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve the amendments to Policy 902.6, as presented.

Motion was seconded by Director MacConnell.
Motion approved unanimously.

B. INSTRUCTION AND CURRICULUM:

No business scheduled or addressed.

C. PUPIL SERVICES:

No business scheduled or addressed.

D. PERSONNEL:

No business scheduled or addressed.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION:

No business scheduled or addressed.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was scheduled or held.

VII. ACTION, IF ANY, TO BE TAKEN SUBSEQUENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No Executive Session was scheduled or held. No action was at issue.

VIII. ADJOURN

At 8:29 p.m. Motion was made by Director Sankovich to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Director Thompson, approved by unanimous vote.

Submitted this day, April 20, 2018.

Mike Groshong
Board Clerk