

**Idaho Virtual Academy
Board of Director's
Regular Board Meeting
October 20, 2015**

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Meeting commenced at 7:31 p.m. MDT with a quorum of the Directors present.

C. TRUANCY HEARINGS AS NEEDED

No Truancy Hearings scheduled or held.

D. ROLL CALL

Directors Present:

<i>Seat</i>	<i>Occupant</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Position 1	Director Tower	(7/15)	<u> X </u>	_____
Position 2	Vacant Seat	(7/15)	_____	_____
Position 3	Director Robinson-Eckert	(7/16)	<u> X </u>	_____
Position 4	Chairman Heninger	(7/17)	<u> X </u>	_____
Position 5	Anne MacConnell	(7/17)	<u> X </u>	_____

Positions and Terms pursuant to Policy 103.0

Others in attendance:

Kelly Edginton, Head of School
Allen Wenger, Business Manager
Mike Groshong, Board Clerk
Becky Fisher
Amy White, Board Counsel
Jared Zygart

Open Teleconference Line

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. AGENDA – PROCEDURAL NOTE: ANY ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS OR SUBSTITUTIONS TO THE POSTED AGENDA

There were no additions, corrections or substitutions to the agenda.

B. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No member of the public signed up for public input.

C. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION: Director's Report:

1. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Heninger indicated to the Directors that she had nothing to report at this time. Her only notification was to confirm that the March face-to-face meeting had been set for the 21 and 22.

D. INFORMATIONAL – BOARD STAFF DISCUSSIONS

1. HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT

Ms. Edginton provided the Directors with her monthly report.

The OIG Audit Report has still not yet been issued. When Ms. Edginton last heard, the OIG auditor had communicated with the SDE in early September and anticipated releasing a report at the end of September.

The work on the school's update of computers for the Portable Testing Lab is underway. Currently there is testing taking place with regard to the equipment options. The plan to replace 1/3 of the computers this spring is still on track.

There is also some staff computer replacement taking place. Approximately 14 staff members will be having old computers switched out in the next 2 weeks.

Ms. Edginton provided an update as to a number of events that will be occurring through the first week of November.

Ms. Edginton provided the Directors with information regarding Olivia's Game Design. A grant was awarded to a teacher to teach game design to

middle school girls. This will be taking place at the school's offices on Fridays for a number of weeks. 15 girls have signed up for the program and 13 showed up for the first session.

Carolyn Fabis, AHS Social Studies Teacher arranged a field trip to the Anne Frank Memorial last Friday. Students were able to participate in person or virtually. Ms. Fabis also made a video for asynchronous participation and a chance for students to earn extra credit.

The first round of the new interim assessments is underway. The assessments are aligned to the Idaho Code and the state assessments as well as to the school's curriculum. Teachers will utilize the results from these assessments to determine if individuals, groups or the whole class is comprehending what has been taught and where re-teaching or other supportive assistance is needed.

2. ANNUAL AUDIT APPROVAL

Mr. Zygart presented the Directors with the Audit Report. There were no issues or problems with the Audit. The numbers were well verified and documented by the School.

Mr. Zygart addressed GASB68 with the new PERSI rule – that requires a change in government-wide audits to address obligations and liabilities associated with retirement. This will show on the report itself but it will never be a payment that the school has to make. This is indicated in the statement of net position and causes a change in the fund balance for this year.

Mr. Zygart stood for question.

Once the Audit Report is approved by the Board, Mr. Wenger will be forwarding it to the Commission and the SDE. He indicated that next year the process will be smoother. This year things were slowed and impacted by the movement of the accounting office from Herndon to Semi Valley.

Motion was made by Director Tower to approve the Audit Report, as presented.

Motion seconded by Chairman Heninger.

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

3. DAY IN THE LIFE REPORT

Ms. Fisher, a High School Special Education Teacher at the Alternative High School and at the Virtual High School presented the Directors with information as to what she and other special education teachers do with regard to High School Special Education transition plan. She detailed all matters that are reviewed and all considerations given to aid students in preparing for life after high school. All ranges of options are addressed based upon the student's individual needs, strengths and weaknesses. This ranges from assisting the student with educational options to assisting the student with learning how to address daily living skills like grocery shopping and financial management. As the student ages through high school the plan itself often becomes more specific and more targeted to address the individual goals and needs of the student.

Ms. Fisher gave detailed examples of the various types of activities from college assistance, to job shadowing, career inventories, teaching how to do a resume and cover letter, independent living skills, and practical matters such as housing options and community services available.

She detailed her work with the Pathfinders program to aid students and teachers with figuring out student interests for future employment and identifying realistic careers in the interest areas of students.

The Board members expressed appreciation to Ms. Fisher for the presentation, the time the teachers are putting into the reports, the education that they are providing to the Board as well as allowing the board to learn about the roles that the school's teachers are playing in student lives.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Approval of Minutes from September Annual Meeting
2. Approval of September Monthly Invoices
3. Approval of K12 Invoice
4. Approval of Payment to K12
5. Approval of September Check register for Website Posting
6. Approval of September Financial Report

The Directors reviewed and conferred about the various Consent Agenda items. There were no questions or concerns about the material and information presented.

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

Motion seconded by Chairman Heninger.
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

IV. SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

A. BUSINESS

1. POLICY 912.3

This policy addresses Alternative High School placement for students. The policy had been approved at the last meeting so that it would be in place and operational, with the understanding that the policy would be returning to address a number of points for clarification.

Ms. Edginton reviewed the changes that had been made to address clarity. She also indicated that the term High School was amended as the statute now allows Middle School qualification and it would prevent the Board from having to revisit the statute should the Board go in that direction.

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

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell.
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

2. POLICY 907.4

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with Policy 907.4 for a first reading. This is a proposed policy addressing the legislative mandate regarding Bullying and the requirements of a policy relating to Bullying. This proposal is in response to the legislative session and the required policy. There has been a brief delay as the State Board of Education was to be developing rules to address the policy requirements. This has not occurred so it is time to put a policy in place and if the State Board does enact rules and such rules require additional components to the policy, the policy can be amended.

This policy addresses and outlines the specific elements required by the legislation.

Motion was made by Director Robinson-Eckert to approve all matters in the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion seconded by Director Tower.

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

B. INSTRUCTION AND CURRICULUM

1. ACADEMIC REPORT

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with a written report. She likewise presented an Executive Summary of that report addressing the following:

- IDVA Enrollment 10/6/2015: 2410 (IDVA enrollment Oct 2014: 2674)
- High School Pass Rates
 - o All High School: 68.4%
 - o AHS: 40.9%
 - o VHS: 73.1%
 - o 7th & 8th Math & ELA: 82.7%
- 34 students currently enrolled in Mark12Reading intervention courses
 - o Note: fewer students in Mark12 this year due to students being assigned to course pacing.
- Middle School intervention: 42% assigned to ELA / 62% assigned to Math
- 52 students currently enrolled in high school IDVA academic intervention courses (Tier 2 courses)
 - o Note that not all HS students identified for intervention will be served through a specific intervention course. All students will take interim assessments on a regular cycle and will receive academic intervention through the content teachers based on the results of the assessments.
- 248 students currently enrolled in K-8 Advanced Learner Program (siblings of ALP students are counted into the numbers and may or may not qualify for ALP)
- 213 students currently enrolled in High School Advanced Opportunity Courses

Ms. Edginton opened the floor for questions.

Chairman Heninger did make inquiry regarding year over high school pass rates. Ms. Edginton explained that the passing rates change each week. Typically they increase at the end of the quarter when students are turning in assignments and everything is getting completed.

C. PUPIL SERVICES

1. ENROLLMENT REPORT

Head of School Edginton then presented the Directors with the current enrollment report. IDVA Enrollment as of 10/6/2015 was at 2410 as opposed to 2647 last October.

The VHS enrollment is currently closed but will soon be re-opening for the commencement of the 2nd semester.

Ms. Edginton reported that she tracks enrollment very closely. She does not believe that they will hit their enrollment goal for this year but did indicate that as school was commencing the numbers of enrolled students dramatically increased. The unusual trend for this year is that student enrollment is down in the K-5 and Middle School Programs rather than High School. The High School figures remain fairly stable with past year comparisons.

D. PERSONNEL

1. PERSONNEL REPORT

No matters were scheduled or addressed.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

No matters were scheduled or addressed.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No matters were scheduled or addressed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

All of the Board's business being concluded, Motion was made by Director Robinson-Eckert that the meeting of the Board of Directors be adjourned.

Chairman MacConnell seconded the motion.
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m. (MDT)

Dated this 20th day of October, 2015.

Mike Groshong
Board Clerk

Board of Directors Meeting convened and held pursuant to appropriately provided and received electronic Notice of Annual Board Meeting with posted agenda (IDVA By-Laws, Article V, Section 1).

Meeting held at the Treasure Valley Learning Center.

Additional attendance available via telecommunications.

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