

**Idaho Virtual Academy  
Board of Director's  
Regular Board Meeting  
April 18, 2017**

**I. PRELIMINARY**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. ESTABLISH QUORUM**

Chair Robinson-Eckert called the meeting to order and confirmed a quorum established at 7:39 P.M.

**C. ROLL CALL**

<i>Seat</i>	<i>Occupant</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Position 2	Director Sankovich	(7/18)	X	
Position 3	Director Robinson-Eckert	(7/16)	X	
Position 4	Director Handeen	(7/17)		X
Position 5	Director MacConnell	(7/17)	X	
Position 6	Director Thompson	(7/18)		X

*Positions and Terms pursuant to Policy 103.0*

Others in attendance:

Kelly Edginton, Head of School  
Amy White, Board Attorney (joined in progress)  
Mike Groshong, Board Clerk  
Allen Wenger, Business Manager  
Andrea Hampton, Operations Manager  
Open Teleconference Line

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. PROCEDURAL NOTE:**

Additions, Corrections, or Substitutions to the posted agenda.

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

**B. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC INPUT:**

No member of the public sought to address the Board.

**C. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION: Director's Report**

No Director's report scheduled or provided.

**D. INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION: Board/Staff Discussions**

**1. Head of School Report - Kelly Edginton**

Ms. Edginton had provided the Directors with her monthly report.

- Upcoming
  - ISAT & IRI – April and May
  - Teacher Leadership Premium nominations – May Board meeting
  - Graduations
- May 22: Coeur d'Alene, May 31: Nampa, June 2: Idaho Falls
  - June 2: Last day of SY 16/17 for students
- K-5 / 6-12 Model
  - Amy Chadez continuing as K5 Principal / Jenny Whelan moving from Middle School Principal to 6-12 Principal / Addition of a 6-12 Assistant Principal
- Follow up from February Board meeting – Teacher evaluation statistics from 14/15 & 15/16
- Current enrollment: 2021
- Current pending enrollments: 141
- IDVA's Ariana Woods wins gold at US Biathlon Nationals!

**III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Approval of Minutes of the March, 2017 Meeting.**
- 2. Approval of February 2017 Monthly Invoices.**
- 3. Approval of K12 Invoice.**
- 4. Approval of Payment to K12.**
- 5. Approval of March 2017 Check Register for website posting.**
- 6. Approval of March 2017 Financial Report.**
- 7. Enrollment Report.**

The Directors were presented with the Consent Agenda items for consideration and possible approval. The Directors did not raise any questions regarding the material and information presented.

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

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

#### **IV. SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**

##### **A. BUSINESS**

###### **1. Approval of 2017-2018 School Start Schedule**

The Administrative Team informed the Directors that some changes needed to be made to the proposed School Start Schedule and asked that the Agenda item be tabled until the May Board meeting. Upon hearing no objections from any of the other Directors, Chairman Robinson-Eckert so ordered the postponement.

###### **2. School Crisis Management Plan (revised)**

Operations Manager, Andrea Hampton presented the Board of Directors with a revised edition of the School's Crisis Management plan. As she outlined for the Directors, no substantive changes were made to the document. The changes made were more functional in nature, making the document more user-friendly and easier for staff to find items of interest. She then entertained any questions from the Board. None of the Directors having any questions or objections,

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve the revised Crisis Management Plan as presented,

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell  
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

##### **Policy Readings:**

The Administration had a total of six (6) policies that were appearing before the Board of Directors for a first reading and one which was coming back for a second reading. For the sake of expediency and to save time, Chairman Robinson-Eckert suggested to Head of School Kelly Edginton, who was presenting all of the policies, that she present them all of the first reading policies at once with the Directors having the ability to ask questions after each presentation. Then an up or down vote would be taken at the end of all of the

policy presentations. No objections were heard from any of the other Directors nor the Administration. The Directors would then go onto deliberate on the Second Reading of Policy 602.4.

### **3. Policy 905.3 Expulsions and Denials of Attendance of Enrolled IDVA Students**

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with Policy 905.3 relating to the expulsion and denial of attendance of enrolled IDVA students. Language was added to the policy that related to the denial by the board to attendance or enrollment of any student bringing firearms or weapons on school property in this state or in any other state

Discussion ensued among the Directors and Administration. Questions of the Directors were answered by Ms. Edginton and Counsel White

### **Policy 509.0 Conduct on School Property**

Policy 509.0 with the following new language added, “As required by the U.S. Department of Education, IDVA administration will refer any student who brings a firearm onto school property to the juvenile delinquency system” was presented to the Board by Head of School Kelly Edginton. The introduction of the new language was a result of responding to a survey by the State of Idaho, asking if the district/charter had a policy in place that requires referral to the criminal justice system or juvenile delinquency system for any student who brings a firearm on school campus.

There were no questions from the Directors.

### **Policy 609.5 High School Advanced Opportunities**

Ms. Edginton then presented changes to Policy 609.5 to the Directors. The majority of the changes were in the addition of language, particularly the use of the term “public” to define students and the school. Other language was added to clarify certain points of the policy.

Discussion ensued among the Directors and Administration. Questions of the Directors were answered by Ms. Edginton.

### **Policy 913.0 VHS Student Schedules**

This is a new policy that was suggested by the Idaho Department of Education for all districts. It outlines that each student in the high school will take six (6) courses + an Advisory class each semester. Fewer or more classes must be approved by the student’s High School Counselor.

Those classes that are graduation requirements will be given priority status.

There were no questions from the Directors.

**Policy 708.1 Substitute Teachers**

Ms. Edginton then brought before the Directors Policy 708.1 with its amendments. In review of this policy, the Administration found some very outdated language that related to the duties of Substitute teachers. Over the years, those duties have changed, and so they recommend to the Directors that the old duties be scrubbed from the policy.

There were no questions from the Directors.

**Policy 611.0 Class Size**

Ms. Edginton brought before the Board a new policy regarding class size. The advent of this new policy is because it is required under the Advanced Accreditation rules. It simply outlines that student-teacher ratios are determined by program type, grade level, content area, and budget limitations. The Head of School will approve all class size and regulations for the implementation of the policy.

There was some discussion related to this policy. Director MacConnell asked for a clarification of numbers of class sizes of other schools and Ms. Edginton told her that she would bring back that information at the May meeting. Director MacConnell, stated that she was ready to vote on the policy.

All first reading policies having been presented and any questions regarding them answered to the satisfaction of the Directors,

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve policies, 905.3, 509.0, 609.5, 913.0, 708.1 and 611.0 as presented:

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

**4. Policy 602.4 Credit Proficiency (Revised)**

Ms. Edginton presented the Directors with a number of proposed edits to existing Board Policy 602.4 regarding credit proficiency. This policy amendment relates to how grading is to be handled for students who pass an end of course assessment, demonstrating proficiency in a class,

rather than taking the course. She detailed the types of instances where this is done and the specific matter which brought consideration of changing this from an A/B grade to a Pass notation on the student's transcript.

The Directors and Ms. Edginton engaged in a discussion regarding the policy amendment proposal. The Directors had raised some questions at the first reading of this policy and Ms. Edginton provided responses to those questions.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve Policy 602.4, as amended.

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell  
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

## **B. INSTRUCTION AND CURRICULUM**

**No Academic Report was scheduled nor provided.**

## **C. PUPIL SERVICES**

**No Business was discussed this month.**

## **D. PERSONNEL**

A personnel report was given by Ms. Edginton to the Directors.

Four employees had tendered their resignations to take place at the end of the school year.

One teacher was moving from the K-5 Group to the 6-12 Group as a Science teacher. This is a backfill position for one of the resignations.

Also presented within the report for the Directors to approve were the 2017-18 Standard teacher Contracts and work documentation for other categories of employees.

Motion was made by Director Sankovich to approve the Personnel Report of April 18, 2017, as presented.

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell  
Motion approved by unanimous vote.

## **V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION**

Board Clerk Mike Groshong updated the Directors on the recruitment of a Director to replace outgoing Director Robinson-Eckert. Currently, there are two candidates who wish to be on the IDVA Board of Directors.

**VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No matters scheduled or addressed.

**VII. ADJOURN**

At 8:38 p.m., Motion was made by Director Sankovich to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Director MacConnell.

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Dated this 18th day of April, 2017

Mike Groshong  
Board Clerk

## **IDVA BOARD MEMBERS**

Seat One was abandoned by the Board and is not active.

Laura Sankovich (Vice Chairman) – Seat Position 2

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Jeff Thompson – Seat Position 6

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