

Inspire School of Arts & Sciences Board of Directors

Regular Session – 6:30 pm

Monday, December 13, 2021

Room IC-6

The mission of the Inspire School of Arts and Sciences is to provide high levels of learning and support within a personalized environment that allows students to explore their interests and develop their talents.

DRAFT BOARD MINUTES

1. Call to Order

6:30 pm

2. Roll call of members

Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. Staff: Jarrah Myles, Daniel Marcy, Becky Brown, Ken Hardy, Jen Josephson, Becca Pratt and Doris Luther. Students: Kayti Russell and Jasmine Dizard

3. Public Comment

Board President Nilsson asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

4. Consent Calendar

6:35 pm

Ron Pope moved to approve the Consent Calendar. It was seconded by Pat Macias. Ayes: Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Eric Nilsson, Pat Macias and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.

5. Student Report

6:40 pm

Kayti Russell, Student Body Treasurer, reported that everyone loved the Performance Rally last Friday and that Spirit Week was a success. Culture Day went great and everyone enjoyed it. The students were exposed to lots of options for their future. This week there will be free hot chocolate during finals this week for students. There is a new student store on our website through ASB to purchase two newly designed sweatshirts to support ASB!

6. Teacher Report

6:45 pm

Daniel Marcy reported that all students and teachers are excited for the break! Jarrah Myles shared that the Gala is Jan. 8th with performances at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. There will be a drive-through or dine-in dinner and dessert at 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. by Roots Catering and Blue Sugar. There is a new student Q&A 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Each student will get a free ticket. Each lead in Grand Hotel will sing at the Gala. Over 280 cars drove through the Enloe Appreciation event that we partnered with.

7. Principal/Superintendent Report

6:50 pm

Becky Brown reported that school Culture Day was absolutely wonderful, and we plan on doing it every year. Recruitment efforts are underway. There are presentations of teachers and students speaking to other schools. It's important to acknowledge that this year is harder than last year. Students need a lot of support. It is a struggle.

The Equity team meets every 2 weeks. The next steps are equity audits, and she and Evita will address them. Doris Luther is working on the data/power for the Fremont Street plans.

Becky Brown shared that the Foundation is a supporting organization for the school. The Foundation would love input for goals for next year. There are naming opportunities available for the new campus. We have offered someone the job of Interim Development Director. We are going to be hiring an Assistant to the Development Director also. Rose Krepelka is coming back on as the Foundation Chair.

8. Discussion/Action Items

9.1 Discussion/Action **Consider Approval of First Interim Budget** 7:00 pm

Jen Josephson stated that we brought the Original Budget to the Board in June, and that the 1st Interim Budget is the first budget revision. The Summary by Resource shows the restricted funding along with unrestricted portion of the budget, which the Board has more leeway of how to spend it. We lowered ADA due to a lower attendance rate this year. Current year the revenues are high and distorted because of Covid and CTEIG grants. We added additional staffing this year- counselor, social worker, contact tracer. The 1st Interim shows we have a surplus of \$130,000, however \$240,000 is restricted, so the unrestricted portion of the budget is in a deficit.

Joni Dunlap moved to approve 9.1. It was seconded by Kam Bull. Ayes: Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Eric Nilsson, Pat Macias and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.

9.2 Discussion/Action **Consider Approval of Bonus Process and Proposed December Bonus** 7:20 pm

Jen Josephson shared what has been done in the past and asked if the Board wanted to decide whether to give bonuses once or twice a year, and if the board wanted to give a bonus this December.

Joni Dunlap moved to continue to consider bonuses once a year in December, and in special circumstances (like fires and Covid) consider an additional bonus at year-end. And to give \$100,000 in bonuses this December. It was seconded by Chris Fosen. Ayes: Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Eric Nilsson, Pat Macias and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.

9.3 Discussion/Action **Consider Approval of 2021 Educator Effectiveness Block Grant Plan** 7:40 pm

Ron Pope moved to approve 9.4. It was seconded by Pat Macias. Ayes: Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Eric Nilsson, Pat Macias and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.

9.4 Discussion/Action **Consider Approval of Independent Educational Evaluation Policy** 7:53 pm

Kam Bull moved to approve 9.4. It was seconded by Chris Fosen. Ayes: Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Eric Nilsson, Pat Macias and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.

9. **Announcements** - Joni Dunlap Chico Theatre Club has its final show this weekend of the Winter Wonderettes, and her daughter is performing in the show. Get your tickets and go see it! Jarrah Myles's daughter, Ashlynn, is coming here next year!

10. **Adjournment 7:59 p.m.**
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