

Inspire School of Arts & Sciences Board of Directors

Regular Session – 6:30 pm

Monday, February 14, 2022

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 MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** **6:30 pm**
 2. **Roll call of members**
Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. Staff: Daniel Marcy, Dan Medley, Becky Brown, Ken Hardy, Jen Josephson and Becca Pratt. Student: Jaden Hagemann-Winter
 3. **Public Comment**
Board President Nilsson asked if there were any public comments. There were none.
 4. **Consent Calendar** **6:35 pm**

Brian Boyer moved to approve the Consent Calendar. It was seconded by Ron Pope. Ayes: Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 6-0.
 5. **Student Report** **6:45 pm**
Student Jaden Hagemann- Winter reported that the dance last Friday went fairly well. Flowertine's deliveries went well today. There is an upcoming Rally Mar 11, 2022.

Jarrah Myles joined at 6:36 pm.

Chris Fosen joined at 6:40 pm.
 6. **Teacher Report** **6:50 pm**
Daniel Marcy reported that in Ceramics 1 (Linnea Smith) are making a mask project that asks students to create an emotion that they hide. Joseph Hill recently took a student to a poetry reading in Oroville. Tech for Grand Hotel starts Thurs! Jarrah Myles shared that Grand Hotel is going well. They are in dire need of help from adults for support using power tools with supervision. For this show, Mr. Hardy is playing percussion, Mr. Gunderson is playing double bass and Ms. Cerullo is playing piano.
 7. **Development Director Report** **6:55 pm**
Dan Medley reported that they have brought on Peggy Hawks as a Development Assistant. She is an amazing help to our team! He also reported that a Foundation Board member (Jenny Spangler) has stepped back. There is an open 10 hr/wk marketing position. They are nearing the end of clean up and are looking at developing a matrix of their goals with KPI's, to make sure they are on track. In March they have their 1st Board hosted event. There will possibly be one more in May and another in
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July. Doris Luther is helping put together a preliminary budget as a template for the rest of the year.

8. Principal/Superintendent Report 7:00 pm

Becky Brown reported that we received our 6 year WASC Accreditation! Enrollment is at 75 incoming Freshman, a few Sophomores and Juniors. There is an Incoming Parents Night coming up soon, and 8th Grade Visitation as well. For Equity updates, staff did some reflecting and will have openings to discuss at staff meetings. Joni Dunlap asked about some bullying of our students by Chico High students. Becky Brown thanked her for bringing this up. She shared that she and Ken have been trying to get a scope on this. She shared that we have created a form to report bullying. This has made it easier to be reported.

9. Discussion/Action Items

9.1 Discussion/Action Consider Approval of New Course Proposal: AP Chem 7:05 pm

Scott Gunderson shared the AP Physics goal (mostly a 5 yr plan) is to have a rotation plan in place. This would be every year to have an AP physics and AP science class. He has a textbook decided on. Most of the lab needs will be met. There will be some training and some chemicals needed. Chris Fosen asked about aligning with the state framework. Scott Gunderson shared it is much more advanced. Joni Dunlap asked if having this additional AP class will help us be more marketable? Scott Gunderson said that is what we hope

Joni Dunlap moved to approve 9.1. It was seconded by Kam Bull. Ayes: Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 7-0.

9.2 Discussion/Action Consider Approval of 2021 Audit Report 7:20 pm

Jen Josephson shared the 2021 Financial Audit. There were 2 findings.1 with attendance and the other finding was with the Foundation for poor compliance record keeping. Since then Doris and Jen have cleaned up the Foundation Accounting. Doris has responded to the findings.

Kam Bull moved to approve 9.2. It was seconded by Ron Pope. Ayes: Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 7-0.

9.3 Discussion/Action Consider Approval of Removing Inspire Grad Requirements for Health 7:35 pm

Becky Brown shared that the graduation requirement is not required. Inspire created a Health Study Skills class for freshman which meets the health requirement. If a student who isn't a freshman needs to take, they have to through Edgenuity. We only want freshmen to take the Health and Study Skills class due to the development of the students and the nature of the class. This would impact about 4 students this year Eric Nilsson asked if we can get more information from teachers or a doctor form to get creative solutions then bring this back to the board next month.

Ron Pope moved to table 9.3 until our next meeting and to ask 1 or 2 teachers to present at the next meeting. It was seconded by Pat Macias. Ayes: Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. The vote to postpone 9.3 until next month and revisit it again then passed unanimously 7-0.

9.4 Discussion/Action Consider Approval of 2020-21 School Accountability Report Card 7:50 pm

Becky Brown shared that every year schools have to publish this information.. Ken Hardy has an incredible alternative to our suspension plan. We have a 95% Graduation rate! The number of students taking CTE courses is very high.

Brian Boyer moved to approve 9.4. It was seconded by Chris Fosen. Ayes: Brian Boyer, Kam Bull, Joni Dunlap, Chris Fosen, Pat Macias, Eric Nilsson and Ron Pope. The vote passed unanimously 7-0.

9.5 Discussion Mid-Year 2021 LCAP Update **8:05 pm**

Becky Brown shared that the state wants the school to submit a midyear recap to report how we are doing. We have 1:1 tech for students. We have Merv-13 filters that work great. We have a lot of students doing credit recovery. We are excited for Math tutors, and that students cannot opt out. Chronic absenteeism is looking good. Our graduation rate was 95% in 2021! Also we added a school Culture day!

10. **Announcements**

Dan Medley extended an invitation to all Board members for a free ticket to Grand Hotel with the stipulation that they have to bring someone who may be interested in donating to our Capital Campaign.

Ron Pope shared that Becky Brown may sing with his band, Cana Road in May or June for an upcoming school event.

Ken Hardy shared that a Rotary member came by to view our campus for a beautification project on our campus during spring break.

11. **Adjournment**

8:22 pm
