

HAMMOND URBAN ACADEMY, INC.
School Board Meeting Minutes Noted

Sep 17, 2020

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Kris Sakelaris (Board President)

School Representatives

Dr. Sean Egan (School Leader)

Dennis Small (Business Manager)

Johnathon Lozano (PNW Extern)

In Attendance Virtually (Zoom):

Board Members:

Dave Ryan (Board Member)

Anne Herbert (Board Member)

Heather Garay (Board Member)

Janet Venecz (Board Member)

Mira Projovic (Teacher Board Member)

Julia Morales (Student Board Member)

Africa Tarver (Board Member)

Gus Lopez (Board Member)

Lori Lambert (Board Member)

Monica Rubio (Board Member)

Not in Attendance:

Owana Miller (Board Member)

Kevin Smith (Attorney)

Board meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m by Board President Kris Sakelaris.

Motions Approved by School Board

- *Motion to approve Julia Morales as the new Student Board Member* — Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Dave Ryan. All in favor motion approved 11-0.
- *Motion to approve August 2020 meeting minutes* — Heather Garay motioned; seconded by Africa Tarver. All in favor motion approved 11-0.
- *Motion to approve August Financial Reports* — Heather Garay motioned; seconded by Africa Tarver. All in favor motion approved 11-0.
- *Motion to approve 2nd quarter full virtual schooling plan* — Africa Tarver motioned; seconded by Gus Lopez. All in favor motion approved 11-0.
- *Motion to adjourn* — Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Lori Lambert. All in favor approved 11-0.

New Correspondence

- Kris Sakelaris received an email & she forwarded it to Dr. Egan to follow the usual chain of command.

School Leader Report

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Committee Reports

- **Finance Committee-** Met to discuss a salary increase for a member of the administrative staff who has requested one. The committee concluded that at this time the annual budget has already been set & a raise is not warranted. They will revisit this request next year prior to the annual budget planning.
- **Personnel Committee-** Janet, Africa & Owana will be meeting with 5 candidates sent to them from Dr. Egan who are interested in taking over the Parent Board member position from Gus Lopez whose term is ending next month.
- **Fundraising-** Committee on hold until further notice.

Discussion Notes

- Dr. Egan sent surveys out to students, parents & staff for their input on school plans for 2nd quarter. The survey offered the option of continuing the current system of full virtual teaching or switching to a hybrid model of 2 days in-school/3 days at-home. Egan received many replies & comments but the overall majority results were that the current plan is working & to continue with it for the duration of this semester. Most respondents claim to like this virtual system more than what was used in the spring. Egan proposed to the Board a continuing with the full virtual model with room for the creation of alternative activities for various groups of students to come in to the school to meet at different times.

Board Financial Inquiries

New Business

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Public Comment

- None

Meeting Adjourned at 4:33 p.m.