

Timpanogos Academy School Board Meeting
Thursday February 10th, 2022 7:00pm
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PRESENT:

Board members Kim Seager, Minta Valentine, Rachel Thacker, Amy Tressler, Paul Johnson, and Jennie Bruce are in attendance at 7:00pm, and this constitutes a full quorum. Principal Errol Porter is also in attendance, and Board Member Phil Cardon is excused.

1 - Agenda Approval

Rachel Thacker made a motion to amend the agenda by striking Item #14 “Board Training (Trustlands)”. The motion was seconded by Minta Valentine and passed unanimously.

2 – Review of Last Meeting’s Business

The Board asked Mr. Porter some follow-up informational questions while reviewing the minutes from last month.

3 – Approval of Minutes/Next Board Meeting

Jennie Bruce made a motion to approve the January 2022 minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Paul Johnson and passed unanimously.

4 – Confirm Next Board Meeting

The Board confirmed that the next Board meeting will be on March 3rd, 2022.

5 – Public Input

Christy Belt, a 5th Grade teacher here at the school, expressed “kudos” for Principal Errol Porter, citing Mr. Porter’s overall substitute plans, ongoing updates on bills being considered at the legislature, and a willingness to allow “teachers to teach.”

6 – PTO Report – Alli Fields

Mrs. Fields reported that there will be extensive change-over next year of PTO leadership. In anticipation of this change-over, the PTO is working on the creation of a handbook that can be handed off. Upcoming events that the PTO is working on include the school’s “Word Power Challenge” and the Kindergarten’s annual “Pastries and Parents” day. In addition, the PTO will be providing dinners for Teachers during the upcoming SEP Conferences on the 24th and 25th of February.

7 – Budget Update – Karyl Montgomery

Lynn Smith reported on the status of the budget to date, and that revenue and expenses were both in line with expectations and on-track for the year as of December 31st, 2021. Mr. Smith did note that both more revenue and more expenses than originally budgeted should be expected due to larger than anticipated student enrollment counts and accompanying expenses.

8 – Current Enrollment Numbers / 2022-2023 Projected Numbers – Frank Anderson

Mr. Anderson shared the current enrollment numbers of 516 students, along with the known number of students who would not be returning (which is only 4 students or 0.88%), plus the projected enrollment numbers based on the Lottery enrollment numbers. As of today, the projected enrollment with “high confidence” is 529 students.

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9 – ITBS Test Results – Frank Anderson

Mr. Anderson presented the latest ITBS results from Fall of 2021 as compared to the previous 6 years, and after going over the data it was clear that Timpanogos Academy as a school continues to not experience any noticeable or meaningful “Learning Loss” from the pandemic shutdown in 2020 as most other schools in the State have reported.

10 – 2022-2023 Proposed Calendar – Errol Porter – Action Item:

Mr. Porter presented the proposed calendar he had prepared for 2022-23. After discussion, Rachel Thacker made a motion to accept the 2022-23 Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Jennie Bruce and passed unanimously.

11 – Phone System Replacement – Errol Porter – Discussion Item:

Mr. Porter and Mr. Anderson presented two quotes for a new phone system to replace the antiquated one that has been in the school since it opened in 2002. After discussion, the Board consensus was that this would be worth pursuing further, and obtaining a quote from a third vendor was encouraged.

12 – Principal’s Report – Errol Porter

* A) COVID case counts: There are currently no students and no staff with COVID at this time. Mr. Porter continues to spray disinfectant throughout the school each day after school.

* B) Special Populations Report (ELL, Special Education, AIS): There are currently 73 special education students (16%) who have IEP’s, plus 10 students who qualify as ELL, plus 81 students who are being serviced by the Academic Intervention team.

13 – Board Position Reports:

- a) **PTO/Curriculum, Jennie Bruce:** None at this time.
- b) **Publicity, Minta Valentine:** Mrs. Valentine asked Mr. Anderson if he thought that, based on projected enrollments, the school should be pursuing any addition promotion efforts. Mr. Anderson responded that it looked like we currently had adequate applicants to cover our needs for the upcoming school year.
- c) **Uniforms, Amy Tressler:** None at this time.
- d) **Risk Management & Facilities, Paul Johnson:** None at this time.
- e) **CFO, Rachel Thacker:** Mrs. Thacker reported that she is still working on updating the school’s Crisis Plan.
- f) **Human Resources & Website, Phil Cardon:** None at this time (Mr. Cardon is not present).
- g) **Board Chair, Kim Seager:** Mrs. Seager reported that she was still pursuing options for our students to participate in the “UVU Prep” programs which currently are not being offered to charter schools.

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15 – Closed Session

Motion for a closed session was made by Kim Seager to discuss character & competence of individual employees. A roll call vote was called for and all present board members individually voted “aye” when asked.

16 - Adjournment:

Kim Seager moved to adjourn without objection.