

**ST. MARY'S ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 28, 2019**

- I. MR. ELDEN PRICE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 12:00 P.M.
- II. THE PRESENCE OF ELDEN PRICE, ANDY WESTMORELAND, BECKY CAUSEY AND REV. RICHARD GONZALES ESTABLISHED A QUORUM. CONNIE HATFIELD JOINED THE MEETING AT 12:07 P.M. ABSENT: SANDY FORD. STAFF PRESENT: STAN SIMONSON, JEANENE JONES, RUTH CUDE, SUSAN CHINCARINI, CASSANDRA BARTLETT.
- III. MR. PRICE ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

ANDY WESTMORELAND MADE THE MOTION; SECOND BY BECKY CAUSEY. WITH A VOTE OF THREE (3) FOR AND NONE AGAINST, THE MOTION CARRIED.

- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS
 - A. DR. DAN PEARCE, SMACS INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT, SPOKE ABOUT HIS OBSERVATIONS OF THE SMACS CAMPUS. DR. PEARCE OFFERED HIS CONGRATULATIONS TO SMACS REGARDING THE LARGE NUMBER OF FAMILIES ATTENDING THE AIMS MEETING FOR THE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF 5TH AND 6TH GRADERS. DR. PEARCE ALSO UPDATED THE BOARD ON SMACS STAAR TEST PREPARATION AND READING AND WRITING PROGRAMS.
- V. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. MR. PRICE ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

BECKY CAUSEY MADE THE MOTION; SECOND BY CONNIE HATFIELD. WITH A VOTE OF FOUR (4) FOR AND NONE AGAINST, THE MOTION CARRIED.

- VI. REPORT REGARDING THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING, PRESENTED BY ELDEN PRICE, COMMITTEE CHAIR. MR. PRICE REPORTED THAT THE COMMITTEE REVIEWED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2019, POLICY CHANGES REGARDING PG 5.9 AND PG 5.10 AND THE INVESTMENT REPORT.

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- VII. REPORT REGARDING THE SUPERINTENDENT SUPPORT AND EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEETING, PRESENTED BY ELDEN PRICE, COMMITTEE CHAIR. MR. PRICE STATED THAT THIS COMMITTEE WOULD BE MEETING AFTER THE BOARD MEETING.
- VIII. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
- A. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, PRESENTED BY STAN SIMONSON, SUPERINTENDENT.
1. STATUS OF EDUCATION RELATED BILLS FOR THE 86TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION- MR. SIMONSON PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH SENATE AND HOUSE BILL INFORMATION RELATED TO EDUCATION.
 2. ESC2 BOARD MEETING- MR. SIMONSON REPORTED THAT DEE DEE BERNAL IS RUNNING FOR THE CHARTER SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE POSITION ON THE ESC2 BOARD. MR. SIMONSON SAID THAT HE HAS LEARNED MUCH DURING HIS TERM. DURING HIS TERM HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO PROMOTE AWARENESS OF CHARTER SCHOOL NEEDS TO THE BOARD AND THE BOARD THEN PASSES THIS INFORMATION TO AUSTIN.
 3. REPORT ON SPECIAL EDUCATION (SPED) ISSUES- THE SPED PROGRAM HOLDS WEEKLY TEAM MEETING AND THE PROGRAM IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY. MR. SIMONSON ALSO SAID THAT MS. ZAMBRANO FROM BISD HAS BEEN A GREAT HELP.
 4. DR. RICK ALVARADO WILL PROVIDE A TRAINING WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD MEMBERS ON APRIL 24, 2019 AT THE SMACS CAMPUS FROM NOON TO 2:00 P.M. THE TRAINING WILL COVER SUBJECTS SUCH AS CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PLANS (CIP), DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLANS (DIP) AND EVALUATING AND IMPROVING STUDENT OUTCOMES (EISO).
 5. REPORT REGARDING THE BUS CONTRACT- THE BUS CONTRACT WILL NOT BE MOVING FORWARD DUE TO BUS COMPANY'S INSURANCE COVERAGE ISSUES.

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- B. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT, PRESENTED BY STAN SIMONSON, SUPERINTENDENT.
 - 1. ENROLLMENT UPDATE- SMACS HAS 417 STUDENTS CURRENTLY ENROLLED.
 - 2. ATTENDANCE UPDATE- SMACS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE IS 95.91%.
 - 3. UPCOMING EVENTS- THE BOARD WAS INVITED TO ATTEND THE AIMS MEETING FOR THE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF 5TH AND 6TH GRADE STUDENTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE BOARD WAS PRESENTED WITH THE APRIL NEWSLETTER LISTING UPCOMING DATES OF EVENTS AND A FLYER LISTING PRE ENROLLMENT AND SIBLING ENROLLMENT DATES FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR.
 - 4. TESTING PHASE- THE DATES FOR THE UPCOMING STAAR TEST ARE APRIL 9TH AND 10TH AND MAY 13TH, 14TH AND 15TH.
 - 5. FUND RAISING EVENTS- SMACS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM HAS BEEN GRANTED A \$1,500.00 GRANT FROM WALMART AND IS ALSO APPLYING FOR AN ADDITIONAL AFTERSCHOOL GRANT FROM THE ED RACHEL FOUNDATION.
- C. FACILITIES REPORT- NO REPORT.
- D. FINANCIAL REPORTS, PRESENTED BY SUSAN CHINCARINI, CFO.
 - 1. THE INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE CALENDAR QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018 WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD. ST. MARY'S CHARTER SCHOOL HAD NO FUNDS INVESTED OUTSIDE OF THEIR DEPOSITORY. INTEREST IS EARNED ON THE ACCOUNTS WITHIN THE DEPOSITORY AT THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BEEVILLE.
- IX. OLD BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS- NO ITEMS.
- X. NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS
 - A. MR. PRICE ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE INDIVIDUALS TO SIGN THE ALLOTMENT AND TEKS CERTIFICATION, 2019-2020 WHICH CERTIFIES TO THE TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY THAT FOR EACH SUBJECT IN THE REQUIRED CURRICULUM OTHER THAN PHYSICAL EDUCATION THAT STUDENTS HAVE ACCESS TO INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS THAT COVER ALL THE TEXAS ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS (TEKS).

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- XI. CALENDAR
 - A. THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING IS SET FOR APRIL 25, 2019 AT NOON.
- XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - A. THE BOARD ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 1:15 P.M. IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS). THE BOARD RETURNED AT 1:39 P.M.
- XIII. OPEN SESSION – NONE.
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT
 - A. MR. PRICE ENTERTAINED A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

BECKY CAUSEY MADE THE MOTION; SECOND BY ANDY WESTMORELAND. WITH A VOTE OF FOUR (4) FOR AND NONE AGAINST, THE MOTION CARRIED. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:46 P.M.



4-25-19

ELDEN PRICE, BOARD PRESIDENT

DATE APPROVED



CASSANDRA BARTLETT, SECRETARY FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES