

MINUTES
Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Governing Board Meeting
Monday, April 8, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Michael Larrabee at 6:27 p.m. on April 8, 2019, in the Auditorium at Hearn Academy, 17606 N. 7th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85023

2. **Roll Call**

Present:

Michael Larrabee, Governing Board President

Mike Dyer, Governing Board Vice-President

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Governing Board

Amy Gurtler, Hearn Governing Board

Others Present:

Natalie McKenney, Dobson Governing Board (via phone)

Tara Yesenski, Dobson Governing Board

Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Governing Board Secretary

Annie Gilbert, BCS Director of Finance

Parker Galope, BCS Director of Student Services (via phone)

Dawne Winn, Dobson Principal (via phone)

Gaye Leo, Hearn Principal

Deb Baca, Val Vista Principal

Connie Johnston, Board Coordinator

Absent:

John Huppenthal, Governing Board Member

Mike Sobieski, Dobson Governing Board Secretary

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Michael Larrabee led the attendees in reciting the Pledge.

4. **Approval of Agenda** - Motion was made by Marcus Harrison to approve the agenda of the Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Regular Board Meeting. Second by Amy Gurtler. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carried.

5. **School Recognition/Mission Moment** – Dr. Leo introduced the Board to Jennifer Falgione, Kindergarten teacher who took Board members and Administrators into her classroom and presented a “day in the life” of a Hearn kindergartener.

6. **Call to the Public** - There were no members of the public present.

7. **Hearn Consent Agenda Items:**

7.1 Previous Meeting Minutes – Regular Board Meetings of March 4, 2019 and Executive Committees of April 3, 2019.

7.2 Enrollment/Attendance Update – Hearn 615 (646)

7.3 Personnel Items – Extra Duty Assignment/Stipend: Betty Pimentel, Separations: Shane Ehnes

Motion by Marcus Harrison to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Second by Amy Gurtler. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Consent Agenda approved.

8. **Hearn Principal Monthly Report** – In addition to her written report, Dr. Leo indicated she will continue to feature a teacher or program.

9. **BCS Director of Student Support Services Monthly Report** – Parker Galope reported the SPED numbers are pretty consistent with those from last month. She spoke about the Arizona Council for Exceptional Children’s annual conference. Parker presented to her colleagues, Charter School Special Education Leadership, for which Mike Dyer complimented her for stepping up.

10. CS Director of Finance Monthly Report – Annie Gilbert reported

- 10.1 Consolidated Monthly Dashboard
- 10.2 Consolidated Balance Sheet at February 28, 2019
- 10.3 Consolidated Income Statement – July 1, 2018 – February 28, 2019
- 10.4 Projected FY 2020 Financial Statements and Dashboards
- 10.5 Intercompany Debt Summary as of June 30, 2018

There will be an audit by Fester and Chapman the first week in May for all three schools. Benefit renewals are out for bid and Annie will have new renewal numbers to present. A voucher application has been presented for students who meet the high cost criteria at Val Vista.

Annie indicated we have potential to forgive the Val Vista debt. Mike Dyer stated that historically, we have financially assisted new campuses. The culture has always been to view Ball Charter Schools as a whole. A motion to forgive the debt may be proposed in June.

11. Planning and Development Committee Report – Mike Dyer reported.

- 11.1 Fall Work Session will be held September 13, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Led by Karah Gagnon, the committee is looking into Leadership Development with intent to provide growth opportunities from within Ball Charter.

12. Digital Learning Committee Report – Parker Galope asked Annie to report on Google Drive and recommendation to move toward G Suite. The domain would be locked and students would have a G mail school-based account.

13. Curriculum and Systems Committee Report – Deb Baca reported on the last committee meeting. The Science task force, led by Mary Kennedy with input from Cheryl Hogan and other school representatives, is looking at curriculum alignment. The schools will independently support one another this year until Arizona Science curriculum is fleshed out. There may be a proposal to adopt Pearson for next year.

14. Academic Excellence

- 14.1 Benchmark #3 Results, Schoolwide, Grade level and subject-P/Y comparison
Gaye discussed targeted intervention and after school tutorials, drilling down from the Galileo data provided. Dawne went over Power School Benchmark Assessments. Students are meeting 35 minutes each morning, 5 days a week for intervention enrichment. Deb reported Val Vista is also using Power School and they are between Hearn and Dobson, using enrich/reteach time for student follow through. Schools will know when they receive the AZ Merit scores how well we are doing. However, current information is not being portrayed in the same consistent manner. As suggested, Deb will bring a Benchmark Assessments sheet for Val Vista ELA and Math to the next meeting.

15. Discussion and Possible Action Item: Revision to Principal/Director ASBA Evaluation Policy

Natalie indicated Marzano framework was incorporated and suggested adoption, with principals confirming agreement.

Mike Dyer made a motion to adopt the Principal ASBA Evaluation Policy with Marzano edits for 2019-2020. Second by Marcus Harrison. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion Carried.

16. Discussion and Possible Action Item: Proposed Involuntary Termination Protocol (Note: *corrected from Policy to Protocol*)

There was discussion as to best practice. Karah indicated the need to have guidelines and what is for the best overall. This protocol is a starting point and could be flexible. Having a parent Board member representative for each school would be helpful for dynamics. Concern over the language was brought up and need for more discussion indicated. Connie will send out a red line protocol to Board members, and request input be forwarded to her.

17. Discussion and Possible Action Item: Revision of Existing ASBA Termination Policy

Mike Dyer moved to table this item. Marcus Harrison Second. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carries.

18. Discussion and Possible Action Item: Arizona School Boards Association (ASBA) Policies for Adoption (2017-2018). Exhibit 1

Mike Dyer moved to table this item. Marcus Harrison Second. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carries.

19. Discussion Item: Annual Performance Evaluation Self-assessment forms for Director of Student Services and Director of Finance

Parker and Annie submitted draft evaluation forms for their positions. Gaye recommended the Board take a look at incorporating Marzano frame work, as approved for the principal evaluation. The self-assessments (with Marzano additions) will be presented at our next meeting.

20. Discussion Item: Spring Survey Results, Exhibit 2

Mike Dyer moved to table this item. Marcus Harrison Second. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carries.

21. Recess

Mike Dyer moved to recess the Hearn meeting at 8:45p.m. Marcus Harrison Second. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carried.

22. Reconvene Regular Board Meeting - The Regular Board meeting for Hearn was reconvened at 10:37 p.m.

23. Future Agenda Items – None other than to assure tabled items be placed on next Governing Board meeting agenda.

24. Adjournment

Motion by Mike Dyer to adjourn. Michael Larrabee Second. All in favor. (M. Larrabee, M. Dyer, M. Harrison, A. Gurtler). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:48 p.m.

Please Note Change in Meeting Location:

The next BCS (Hearn) Board Meeting is May 13, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at Val Vista Academy.

Approved by Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Governing Board

Board President

Date