

**MINUTES**  
**Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Governing Board Meeting**  
**Monday, February 10, 2020**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by John Huppenthal at 7:36 p.m. on February 10, 2020 in the Science Room at Val Vista Academy, 4120 S. Val Vista Dr., Gilbert, AZ 85297.

2. **Roll Call**

Present:

John Huppenthal, Governing Board President  
Mike Sobieski, Governing Board Vice President  
Michael Larrabee, Hearn Governing Board

Others Present:

Tara Yesenski, Dobson Governing Board Secretary  
Mike Dyer, Dobson Governing Board  
Natalie McKenney, Dobson Governing Board  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Governing Board Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Governing Board  
Rhonda Donnelly, Val Vista Governing Board  
Dawne Winn, Dobson Principal  
Gaye Leo, Hearn Principal  
Debra Baca, Val Vista Principal  
Annie Gilbert, Sr. Director of Finance and Operations  
Parker Galope, Director of Student Support Services

Absent:

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Governing Board Secretary  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Governing Board

3. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Mike Sobieski to approve the agenda of the Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Regular Board Meeting. Michael Larrabee Second. All in favor (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.

4. **Call to the Public** – None Present

5. **Hearn Consent Agenda Items:**

5.1 Previous Meeting Minutes – Regular Board Meeting of January 13, and Executive Committees of February 5, 2020.

5.2 Enrollment/Attendance Update – Hearn 636 (665)

5.3 Personnel Items – New Hires: Porcha Kirkpatrick Nunez, Paraprofessional; Octavia Goree, Paraprofessional; Bethany Ojeda, Paraprofessional; Separations: Amy Brown, Paraprofessional

Motion by Michael Larrabee to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Harrison, M. Larrabee, A. Gurtler). Consent Agenda approved.

6. **Hearn Principal Monthly Report** – *Gaye Leo*

Gaye reported on Hearn's philosophy of full inclusion in SPED program, emphasizing each student's individuality. The CIMI trip was an educational and motivating event for 51 students and a "Big Deal" for those who attended as well as the Hearn community. Gaye called attention to the pictures of students who attended CIMI in the Governing Board packet.

Hearn is transitioning to the use of the School Crest as a seal of excellence. Gaye shared an example of engaging parents by integrating an Arabic-speaking 8<sup>th</sup> grader into the classroom and pairing her with another student who spoke the language.

**7. BCS Director of Student Support Services Monthly Report – Parker Galope**

Parker presented her report at the Val Vista Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**8. Senior Director of Finance and Operations Monthly Report – Annie Gilbert**

**8.1** Finance Director Report Summary

**8.2** Ball Dashboard – (Actual through December 31, 2019)

- Dobson Dashboard
- Hearn Dashboard
- Val Vista Dashboard

**8.3** BCS Consolidated Balance Sheet at 12-31-2019

**8.4** BCS Combined Profit and Loss through 12-31-2019

**8.5** Historical Teacher Increases and FY21 Budget Assumptions

**8.6** Proposed FY21 Teacher Increase

**8.7** Consolidated FY21 Budgets

Annie presented the Finance report at the Val Vista Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**9. Planning and Development Committee Report – Mike Dyer**

**9.1** Spring Work Session – April 3, 2020

**9.2** BCS Crest Letterhead and Email Signature

Karah Gagnon presented the Committee report at the Val Vista Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**10. Digital Learning Committee Report – Parker Galope**

Parker reported the Committee report at the Val Vista Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**11. Curriculum and Systems Committee Report – Mike Sobieski**

Mike presented the Committee report at the Val Vista Governing Board meeting. There was nothing to add.

**12. Academic Excellence Report:** No Report for February

**13. Discussion and Possible Action item:** Review of 2013-2014 Strategic Planning documents.

As recommended by Annie Gilbert at the Val Vista meeting this item has been placed on hold.

**14. Discussion and Possible Action Item:** Letters of Agreement and Proposed Certified Teacher Salaries.

Mike Sobieski moved to approve. Michael Larrabee Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.

**15. Action Item:** Clarification of Officer Election Results from June 2019 for Arizona State Board for Charter Schools. *Motion to accept newly-elected Board President, John Huppenthal, and Vice President, Mike Sobieski, as Charter Representatives for Dobson, Hearn, and Val Vista AND to remove the former President and Vice President, Michael Larrabee and Mike Dyer as Charter Representatives.*

Mike Sobieski moved to approve the motion. Michael Larrabee Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.

- 16. Discussion:** Strategic Planning for Teacher Development, bringing together for highest quality  
At John's suggestion during the Val Vista meeting, discussion was held back.
- 17. Discussion:** Expansion/Acquisition  
This item was expanded to include acquisition and will be discussed at the next Planning and Development Committee. Recommendations to be shared with the Board.
- 18. Action Item:** Approval of Stipend Agreement for three CIMI Trip Chaperones  
Mike Sobieski moved this item be tabled for further discussion, as currently being discussed off line, then to have discussion recommendation at next month's meeting. Michael Larrabee questioned tabling, and after discussion, Michael Larrabee agreed to Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.
- 19. Action Item:** Computer Cart Approval  
Michael Larrabee moved to approve the purchase of a Computer Cart in the amount of \$28,428.51 (ETS estimate presented). Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.
- 20. Discussion and Possible Action Item:** Permission requested to move forward with the installation of an additional adult bathroom.  
Motion by Michael Larrabee to approve an additional adult bathroom for Hearn (@\$13,000). Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried.
- 21. Future Agenda Items –**
- Stipends
- 22. Adjournment** - Motion by Michael Larrabee to adjourn. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, M. Larrabee). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next BCS (Hearn) Board Meeting is scheduled for March 2, at 6:00 p.m. at Hearn Academy.

Approved by Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Governing Board

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Board President

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Date