



Notice of Public Meeting

Ball Charter Schools

Dobson, Hearn, and Val Vista Academy

Governing Boards Meeting

Monday, May 13th, 2024, 6:00pm

Minutes

Location:

Virtual Via Microsoft Teams

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Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Governing Boards and to the public that the Governing Boards of Ball Charter Schools Dobson, Hearn, & Val Vista Academies will hold a **Regularly Scheduled Board meeting open to the public on Monday May 13th, at 6:00pm** The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agendas with the exception of public hearings set for a specific time. Information regarding agenda items may be requested 24 hours in advance and/or reviewed at the Office of the Governing Boards. The Boards may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public for certain items listed on the agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03. However, all Board decisions will be made in a public meeting.

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A. Call to order

B. Roll call

Dobson Academy Governing Board

Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards – President

Karah Gagnon, Governing Boards– Vice President

Pamela Mahoney, Board Member – Dobson

John Huppenthal, Board Member – Dobson

Note: 3 of the 5 Above Board members are needed for a quorum.

Val Vista Academy Governing Board

Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards – President

Karah Gagnon, Governing Boards– Vice President

Jason Ford, Board Secretary - Val Vista

Jamie Archuleta, Board Member - Val Vista

Note: 3 of the 4 Above Board members are needed for a quorum.

Hearn Academy Governing Board

Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards – President

Karah Gagnon, Governing Boards– Vice President

Sarah Pinger, Board Secretary – Hearn

Dr. Jane Vert, Governing Board Member – Hearn

Note: 3 of the 4 Above Board members are needed for a quorum.

Others Present

Dr. Gregory McFann, Senior Director of Academics and Administration

Parker Galope, Director of Student Services

Jamie Bradley, Principal of Dobson Academy

Ted Traud, Principal of Hearn Academy

Debbie Baca, Principal of Val Vista Academy

Joni Long, Speech and Language Pathologist

Morgan Blackhurst, Board Certified Behavior Analyst

Lauren Raymond, Student Support Specialist

Lindsay Sutherland, Dobson Academy Instructional Coordinator

Denis Cusimano, Business Specialist

Kathlene Spoonhunter, 4th Grade Teacher at Val Vista Academy

Alison Roeschley, 6th Grade ELA Teacher at Val Vista Academy

Rachel Pacheco, 8th Grade SS & Math Teacher at Val Vista Academy

Jenelle Rankin, 5th Grade Science Teacher at Val Vista Academy

Brittany Murphy, 3rd Grade Teacher at Hearn Academy

Annie Gilbert, Director of Client Finance at Charter Impact

C. Adoption of the agenda: adopted

D. Pledge of allegiance

E. Adoption of previous meeting minutes

Governing Boards 04.08.2024 & Hearn 04.11.2024

*Karah Gagnon motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024, John Huppenthal seconded the motion. All in favor, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, John Huppenthal, Pamela Mahoney. **Previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024 as they pertain to Dobson Academy Approved.***



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Karah Gagnon motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024 & 04.11.2024, Jane Vert seconded the motion. All in favor, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, Sarah Pinger, Jane Vert. **Previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024 & 04.11.2024 as they pertain to Hearn Academy Approved.**

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024, Jamie Archuleta seconded the motion. All in favor, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, Jason Ford, Jamie Archuleta. **Previous meeting minutes for 04.08.2024 as they pertain to Val Vista Academy Approved.**

F. Call to the public

Any person wishing to speak on a topic may speak at this time. **Presentations are limited to three (3) minutes.** Members of the Board may NOT discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Personal attacks upon Governing Body members, staff personnel, or other persons in attendance or absent by individuals who address the Governing Body are discouraged. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), at the conclusion of the call to the public, individual members of the Board may respond to criticism, may ask staff to review a matter, or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

G. Information items (Items to be heard; the Governing Body will not propose or take action during the meeting unless the specific matter is properly noticed for action. Please reserve discussion for later in the agenda).

1. Summary of current events and Reports

a. Report; Senior Director of Academics & Administration – Dr. Gregory McFann

- *School Spotlight: Hearn Academy*
- End of Year Report: Student Services and IT

b. Report; Director of Client Finance with Charter Impact - Annie Gilbert

- FY24 Consolidated Financial Statements

H. Action Items (Matters the Governing Body may discuss and take action during this portion of the meeting).

1. Consent agenda items (When so presented, should fully describe the matters on the agenda and inform the public where more information can be obtained).

- Personnel Items: New hires and separations.

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Consent Agenda. Jane Vert second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools Consent Agenda as it pertains to Hearn Academy approved.**



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*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Consent Agenda. John Huppenthal second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools Consent Agenda as it pertains to Dobson Academy approved.***

*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Consent Agenda. Jason Ford second. All in favor, Jason Ford, Jamie Archuleta, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools Consent Agenda as it pertains to Val Vista Academy approved.***

2. Approve Forgiveness of Short-Term Debt. / Intercompany Liability \$150,000 Hearn Academy to Dobson Academy.

*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve, Short Term Debt. / Intercompany Liability of 150,000.00 from Hearn Academy to Dobson Academy. Sarah Pinger second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Short Term Debt. / Intercompany Liability of 150,000.00 from Hearn Academy to Dobson Academy as it pertains to Hearn Academy approved.***

*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve, Short Term Debt. / Intercompany Liability of 150,000.00 from Hearn Academy to Dobson Academy. John Huppenthal second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski, John Huppenthal. **Short Term Debt. / Intercompany Liability of 150,000.00 from Hearn Academy to Dobson Academy as it pertains to Dobson Academy approved.***

3. Approval of the Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar.

*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar. Sarah Pinger second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar as it pertains to Hearn Academy approved.***

*Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar. Pamela Mahoney second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar as it pertains to Dobson Academy approved.***

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar. Jason Ford second. All in favor, Jason Ford, Jamie Archuleta,



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Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Ball Charter Schools 2024 - 2025 Academics and Operations Calendar as it pertains to Val Vista Academy approved.**

4. Approval of Ball Charter Schools 990 tax forms for Dobson, Hearn, and Val Vista.

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Hearn Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting. Jane Vert second. All in favor, Sarah Pinger, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, Jane Vert. **The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Hearn Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting Approved.**

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Dobson Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting. Pamela Mahoney second. All in favor, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal. **The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Dobson Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting Approved.**

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Val Vista Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting. Jamie Archuleta second. All in favor, Mike Sobieski, Karah Gagnon, Jamie Archuleta, Jason Ford. **The 990 tax forms for Ball Charter Schools Val Vista Academy subject to minor clerical corrections with copies of the final submissions to be presented at the June Governing Boards Meeting Approved.**

5. Approve “Acadience Reading” as Ball charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060.
- A school district or charter school shall administer the evaluation tool selected by the school district governing board or charter school governing body pursuant to this paragraph within forty-five calendar days after the beginning of each school year or within forty-five calendar days after a pupil enrolls.

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as



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required under House Bill 2060. Sarah Pinger second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060 as it pertains to Hearn Academy Approved.**

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060. John Huppenthal second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060 as it pertains to Dobson Academy Approved.**

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060. Karah Gagnon second. All in favor, Jason Ford, Jamie Archuleta, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **The “Acadience Reading” as Ball Charter Schools Kindergarten Entry Assessment (K.E.A.) tool beginning the 2024 - 2025 school year, as required under House Bill 2060 as it pertains to Val Vista Academy Approved.**

6. Approval of ASBA Policies

- i. JJJ Extracurricular Activity Eligibility
- ii. JLDAC Screening and Testing of Students

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Hearn Academy. Sarah Pinger second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Hearn Academy Approved.**

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Dobson Academy. Pamela Mahoney second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Dobson Academy Approved.**

Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Val Vista Academy. Jamie Archuleta second. All in favor, Jason Ford, Jamie



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*Archuleta, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **ASBA Policies JJJ and JLDAC for Ball Charter Schools Val Vista Academy Approved.***

7. Approval of Dr. Gregory McFann, Senior Director of Academics and Administration Employment Renewal.

*Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann. Sarah Pinger second. All in favor, Jane Vert, Sarah Pinger, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann, Approved.***

*Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann. Pamela Mahoney second. All in favor, Pamela Mahoney, John Huppenthal, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann, Approved.***

*Karah Gagnon motioned to approve The Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann. Jamie Archuleta second. All in favor, Jason Ford, Jamie Archuleta, Karah Gagnon, Mike Sobieski. **Employment Renewal for Senior Director of Academics and Administration, Dr. Gregory McFann, Approved.***

8. Specific items of business related to individual school campuses (*as listed for consideration, may include various categorical areas as the business of the School necessitates Governing Body discussion, deliberation, and action*)

a. None at this time.

- I. Information and Discussion items** (*Matters about which the Governing Body may engage in discussion but will take no action during the meeting*).

J. Requests for future agenda items

Paraprofessionals

Kindergarten Assessment

K. Adjournment of The Regularly Scheduled Governing Boards Meeting

The next Regularly Scheduled Governing Board Meeting for Ball Charter Schools will tentatively be held on Monday June 10th, 2024, at 6:00pm Via Microsoft Teams.



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