



**ARKANSAS**  
VIRTUAL ACADEMY<sup>SM</sup>

Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
March 6, 2023

Board Members

Dr. Gary McHenry  
Jess Askew  
Joel Edel  
Paige Gorman  
Dana Kelley  
Rodney Nagel

Staff

Amy Johnson  
Amanda Felton  
Rhonda Soule  
Chad Long  
Scott Sides

Guests

Nathan Poston

**Preliminary Items**

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Arkansas Virtual Academy Board of Directors was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on March 6, 2023 via Zoom conference call by Dr. Gary McHenry.

Roll Call

The roll call was taken by Dr. Gary McHenry

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### Approval of Minutes

**ACTION:** Jess Askew motioned to approve the January 9, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Paige Gorman seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Board Chair's Report**

Dr. Gary McHenry expressed his appreciation for Mr. Jess Askew chairing the meeting on January 9, 2023.

### **Action Agenda Items**

#### ARVA Audit

Dr. Gary McHenry turned the floor over to Head of Schools, Amy Johnson. Mrs. Johnson introduced Mr. Nathan Poston with Landmark PLC, Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Poston presented the preliminary draft of the 2022 Arkansas Virtual Academy audit.

**ACTION:** Dana Kelley made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Jess Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously

Jess Askew made a motion to authorize the Board Chair and Head of School to sign all required documents. Paige Gorman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### IDEA-Part B Approval

Board Chair, Dr. Gary McHenry, turned the floor over to Amy Johnson, Head of Schools. Mrs. Johnson shared information regarding the application for IDEA – Part B Approval.

**ACTION:** Joel Edel made a motion to approve the document as presented. Paige Gorman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **Head of School's Report**

### Academic and Building Updates

Head of Schools, Amy Johnson, shared information regarding academic and building updates for ARVA including legislative impacts, middle of the year results, building project updates, and upcoming pilot opportunities. Discussion followed.

### Financial Report

Amy Johnson, Head of Schools, turned the floor over to Chad Long, Stride Senior Finance Manager. Mr. Long presented the February 2023 Financial Review.

### Other Comment Public Comments

None

### Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Gary McHenry at 6:03 PM.

**Minutes submitted by: Rhonda Soule - Operations Manager**

**Approved by: Amy Johnson - Head of School**