



ARKANSAS
VIRTUAL ACADEMYSM

Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
Board of Directors
January 8, 2024

Board Members

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

Absent

Rodney Nagel

Staff

Amy Johnson
Amanda Felton
Rhonda Soule
Jacob Berro

Preliminary Items

Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Arkansas Virtual Academy Board of Directors was called to order at 4:05 p.m. on January 8, 2024 via Zoom conference call by Dr. Gary McHenry.

Roll Call

The roll call was taken by Dr. Gary McHenry

Approval of Minutes

ACTION: Joel Edel motioned to approve the June 12 minutes as presented. Paige Gorman seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Paige Gorman motioned to approve the October 9 meeting minutes as presented. Dana Kelley seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Board Chair's Report

Statement of Financial Interest

Dr. Gary McHenry reminded the members to complete their Statement of Financial Interest by the deadline of January 31, 2024.

Action Agenda Items

Board Chair Appointment

Dr. Gary McHenry turned the floor over to Head of Schools, Amy Johnson. Mrs. Johnson shared information regarding nominations of Jess Askew for the open Board Chair position.

ACTION: Dana Kelley made a motion to close the nominations as presented. Joel Edel seconded the motion. The motion was approved and Jess Askew was unanimously approved as Board Chair for ARVA. This approval created an opening of Vice Chair. The Vice Chair position will be tabled for a future meeting.

SY 24-25 Calendar Approval

The Board Chair turned the floor over to Head of Schools, Amy Johnson. Mrs. Johnson shared information regarding the proposed 24-25 School Year calendar.

ACTION: Joel Edel made a motion to approve the calendar as presented. Jess Askew seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Board Reserve Transfer

The Board Chair turned the floor over to Head of Schools, Amy Johnson. Mrs. Johnson shared information regarding the transfer of the Board Reserve. Discussion ensued.

ACTION: Dana Kelley made a motion to approve the Board Reserve Transfer with the knowledge that this would impact the Stride Funding amount. Paige Gorman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Head of School's Report

None

Other Comment Public Comments

None

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Gary McHenry at 4:48 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Rhonda Soule - Operations Manager

Approved by: Amy Johnson - Head of School