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Advantage Academy of Hillsborough
Channelside Academy of Math and Science
Bell Creek Academy
Bell Creek Academy High School
Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science
Independence Academy
Orange County Preparatory Academy
Riverview Academy of Math and Science
Sunlake Academy of Math and Science
Valrico Lake Advantage Academy

# **Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

February 6, 2020

12902 US-92 Dover, FL 33527

#### **Present at Meeting**

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Patricia Rogers Dr. Judith Moore

Detria Elsner Brittany Deen

Jennifer Dean Cristina Fuentes

Mike Strader Lindsay Vanderbilt

Keith Miller Hallie Prokaski

Jack Burkett Kathleen Mawn

Marcy Ringdahl Shawn Moore

Lauren Herbert Chantel Goodwin

Chentella Graham Tiffani Richmond

Dr. Margaret Fahringer

Meeting called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Mrs. Patricia Rogers.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Rogers asked the Board to review the meeting minutes from the last governing board meeting and to approve or amend as needed. Mrs. Elsner motioned to

approve the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes. Ms. Dean seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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### **Principal Reports**

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Advantage Academy of Hillsborough – Mr. Miller reported enrollment at 456 and discussed the Title 1 Report for the school. Mr. Miller reported that the school participated in the Futures Cities Competition and won the Most Futuristic Design. Upcoming events include Kindergarten Round-Up and the Strawberry Festival.

<u>Bell Creek Academy</u> – Dr. Fahringer reported enrollment at 1,099. The school held their first Winter Wonderland Snow Court and also celebrated the students that had a perfect score on the FSA/EOC. The school also celebrated being a School of Excellence and having a 100 percent graduation rate. Upcoming events include a UCF campus tour, A Parent Academy Writing Workshop and Spirit Weeks.

<u>Channelside Academy of Math and Science/Middle School –</u> Ms. Fuentes reported enrollment at 522. The students recently celebrated a successful Gasparilla Parade. Upcoming events include the Daddy Daughter Dance, Kindergarten Round-Up and Books and Bingo.

<u>Valrico Academy</u> – Ms. Herbert reported enrollment at 927. The school celebrated National School Choice Week and held their Annual Curriculum Night. Upcoming events include Kindergarten Round-Up, and Kingdom Keepers.

<u>Riverview Academy of Math and Science</u> – Mrs. Ringdahl reported enrollment at 627. Mrs. Ringdahl reported on upcoming activities at the school including Kindergarten Round-Up and Literacy night. She also reported the NEHS and NJHS induction ceremonies were held.

<u>Sunlake Academy of Math and Science</u> – Dr. Moore reported enrollment at 705. The school participated in the STEM Fair and had several winners. Upcoming events include the Daddy Daughter Dance, Invention convention and a Field Study for 8<sup>th</sup> grade to Washington DC.

<u>Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science</u> –Ms. Deen reported enrollment at 843. Ms. Deen reported on several activities at the school including, STEM Fair, Honor Roll and the Robotics Club. Upcoming events include Kindergarten Round-Up and Daddy Daughter Dance.

<u>Independence Academy</u> – Mr. Burkett reported enrollment at 935. The school recently celebrated National School Choice Week and Student of the month. Upcoming events include Artrageous Mystery Event, Daddy Daughter Dance, and Talent Show.

<u>Orange County Preparatory Academy</u> – Ms. Graham reported enrollment at 280. Upcoming events include Read Across America and a Field Study to the Science Center.

#### **Information Items**

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1. Mr. Strader reminded the Board that financial reports go out monthly. Any questions regarding financials may be directed to Ms. Jeannette Merced or to Mike Strader.

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- 2. Mr. Strader congratulated BCA HS for the 2018-2019 100% graduation rate.
- 3. Mr. Strader recommended a revision to the Governing Board Financial Policies and explained the purpose of the revision to allow excess funds accrue to an interest bearing account under a qualified bank.
- 4. Mr. Strader reported on the Riverview Academy High School charter application submission. Mr. Strader discussed the underlying assumptions in the application budget including the board's year 1 financial support for startup funding.
- 5. Mr. Strader reported an update on the approved Big Bend charter application site selection. Still looking at locations.
- 6. Mr. Strader presented a draft policy for review by the Board regarding 2019-2020 Best and Brightest Teacher Award Program. A discussion ensued between board members and principals resulting in a revision to the proposed policy and accepting Option 1.
- 7. Mr. Strader presented a proposed student calendar for 2020-2021 which will substantially follow the school calendar for the School District of Hillsborough County.
- 8. Mr. Strader presented revised meeting minutes and agenda for the May 16, 2019 meeting of the governing board. Mr. Strader pointed out that board approval of the 2019-2020 school budgets was on the agenda but board approval was not captured in the meeting minutes. Revised May 16, 2019 meeting minutes confirm the board's action to approve 2019-2020 budgets for each school under governance of AAH, Inc.
- 9. Mr. Strader presented teacher waivers labeled as Exhibit A in the board folders for BCA, HAMS, SAMS, AAH, VA, IAS.
- 10. Mr. Strader presented the corporation's Form 990 Advantage (Academy of Hillsborough, INC.) not for profit tax return. The board's auditor prepares the annual 990.
- 11. Keith Miller discussed AAH title one updates. AAH sent out Parent Survey and hired a math interventionist.

### Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of purchase orders and agreements
- 2. Approve revision to Governing Board Financial Policies
- 3. Ratify Resolution to Approve Capitalization of OCPA FY20
- 4. Ratify Resolution to Approve Riverview Academy High School start-up funding
- 5. Approve 2020-2021 student calendar
- 6. Approval of Personnel Items Certification Waivers, Exhibit A
- 7. Ratify AAH Form 990
- 8. Ratify submission of RAHS charter application

Ms. Dean motioned to approve items 1-8 on consent agenda. Mrs. Elsner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Items Scheduled for Action and Discussion**

1. The governing board requested input from Principals for a final policy statement regarding distribution of awards under the current Best and Brightest Program. Ms. Dean motioned, Ms. Elsner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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2. The governing board acknowledged their prior approval of the 2019-2020 school budgets at the May 16, 2019 governing board meeting and authorized a revision to the May 16, 2019 meeting minutes to reflect that approval. Ms. Dean motioned, Ms. Elsner seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Board Member Reports**

Board members congratulated BCA HS for its 100% graduation rate and congratulated and thanked each principal for the reports and the dedication to students.

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Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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Approved by Board Chair

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