



ARKANSAS  
ARTS ACADEMY

Board Meeting Agenda  
Tuesday, February 11, 2020  
6:30 pm High School Commons

1. Call to order at 6:30 pm
2. Establish Quorum/Roll Call: Howard Alsdrof, Tony Beardsley, Mike Camp, Asele Mack, Cara Riley, Dave Russell and Mary Ley  
Absent: Anthony Porche
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Comments from the Public:  
Brooke Payne ask about remaining monies in each budget line item, and how we set up projected budgets for the upcoming year and how we prepare for possible teacher resignation. Mary Ley addressed these questions by saying we are operating on an extremely tight budget and sometimes we need to move money from one budget area to cover another budget item. Our staffing is based on State requirements and Matt Young was chosen to head the Special Education Department due to his certification and knowledge of State Special Education requirements.
5. Consent Agenda
  - Approve minutes from January Regular School Board Meeting and January Special School Board Meeting
  - Enrollment Report
  - Lottery List
  - January Financials


A motion was made to accept the Consent Agenda by Dave Russel and a second by Cara Riley and passed with a 5-0 vote.
6. New Business:
  - Principal Reports: Matt Young, K6 Principal shared that Laura Donadio's Mascot design, Dr. Care Bear, was selected for Washington Regional Urgent Care facility. Riley Manzo's T-shirt design is a finalist in the Kendrick Fincher 5K Run T-shirt contest. Please see attached upcoming events to see what our K-6 have coming up.

Heather Wright shared that our high school archery team placed 1<sup>st</sup> in State and Riley Lewis placed 1<sup>st</sup> in his division. Our High School scored an A and our Elementary scored a B on the State Report Card report.

  - Special Education Surrogate Parent Policy: Matt Young spoke on the State Requirement to implement a SPED Surrogate Parent Policy for our district. The State wrote the policy for us and we need Board approval to implement this program. A motion was made to approve the SPED

Surrogate Parent Policy by Dave Russell and a second by Tony Beardsley and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

- 7-12 Bell Schedule Approval for 2020-2021: Heather Wright ask that the 7-2 campus adopt one schedule, start time of 8:30 to 3:50, instead of the two schedules we are using this year. A motion was made by Tony Beardsley, a second by Dave Russell and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.
  - 2020 – 2021 Course Catalog Approval: Discussion of changes to the 2020 – 2021 Course catalog was tabled to the March School Board Meeting.
  - School Board Election: Applications for School Board will be posted by February 12<sup>th</sup>. Application need to be submitted by March 6<sup>th</sup>, we will post candidate videos and have a Forum of Candidates on April 14<sup>th</sup>. The Board discussed whether family members would be able to run for School Board, the impact of having a family member on the School Board and how employees might be impacted. Howard Alsdorf, Tony Beardsley and Dave Russell shared their concerns because of previous challenges they faced by having an Employee family member on the School Board. A motion was made by Dave Russell, a second by Tony Beardsley and the motion passed with 5-0 vote.
  - Increasing Cultural Awareness Proposal: Mary spoke on Emma Willis who suggested a Professional Development by Ron Phillips beginning on February 26<sup>th</sup> and continuing every other Wednesday from 1:30 – 4:30 pm. Mary also discussed creating an Advisory Group after a couple of meetings to update our policies.
  - Mary discussed she is exploring creating an Arts Director and a Dean of Students position in the future but is gathering information at this time.
  - Asele Mack brought up Sensitivity training for students. Heather Wright said she has her Counselors heavily involved in training for students.
  - Mary expects the FBI report in a week with regard to the threats to the high school.
  - A grant through the Walton Family Foundation for student and staff training is available. Asele suggested that our students tour the current Crystal Bridges Exhibit and follow up with discussion groups.
  - Mary shared the information she gathered in her meeting with the Mayor and Rogers Chief of Police about obtaining a School Resource Officer for our district. Next year the City will be charging schools \$80,000 per year for each Officer assigned to school campuses. Due to budgetary constraints, we will not be pursuing an Officer at this time.
7. Adjournment: A motion was made by Dave Russell, with a second by Cara Riley to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 pm and the motion carried with 1 5-0 vote.

  
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Howard Alsdorf, President

  
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**Arkansas Arts Academy  
Enrollment Report  
March 6, 2020**

<b>Elementary School</b>	<b>3-5-20 Enrollment</b>	<b>20-21 Numbers</b>	<b>20-21 Wait List</b>	<b>Change from 2020-2021</b>
<b>Kindergarten</b>	80	80	159	0
<b>1st</b>	79	80	85	1
<b>2nd</b>	80	80	89	0
<b>3rd</b>	81	80	98	-1
<b>4th</b>	84	84	86	0
<b>5th</b>	82	84	107	2
<b>6th</b>	82	84	116	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Middle/High School</b>				
<b>7th</b>	105	110	87	5
<b>8th</b>	107	110	40	3
<b>9th</b>	103	110	63	7
<b>10th</b>	87	110	32	23
<b>11th</b>	88	103	0	15
<b>12th</b>	64	95	0	31
<b>Total MS &amp; HS</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1122</b>	<b>1210</b>	<b>962</b>	<b>88</b>

**Arkansas Arts Academy  
School Board Visitor  
Sign in Sheet**

All attendees are welcome to speak and will be limited to 3 (three) minutes each. Thank you

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NAME	REASON (OBSERVING/SPEAKING)
Brooke Payne	SPEAKING
Roger & Jean Miller	Observing
Jennifer Masseng	Observing
Rebecca Brittan	Observing
DAVID B BASS	observing
Nate Fries	observing
Amber Curson	observing
Laura Craig	observing