

HAMMOND URBAN ACADEMY, INC.
School Board Meeting Minutes Noted

February 16, 2017

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Kris Sakelaris (Board President)
Owana Miller (Board Member)
Janet Venecz (Board Member)
Lori Lambert (Board Member)
Sheldon Cutler (Board Member)
Mark McLaughlin (Board Member)
Mira Projovic (Teacher Board Member)
Gabe Nava (Student Board Member)

School Representatives

Dr. Sean Egan (School Leader)
Dennis Small (Business Manager)

Not in Attendance:

Dave Ryan (Board Member)
Howard Cohen (Board Member)
Anne Herbert (Board Member)
Gus Lopez (Board Member)
Heather Garay (Board Member)
Kevin Smith (Attorney)
Arthur Young (Dean of Students)
Ross Smith (IT Director)

Board meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m by Board President Kris Sakelaris.

Motions Approved by School Board

- *Motion to approve November 2016 meeting minutes-* Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Sheldon Cutler. All in favor motion approved 8-0.
- *Motion to approve November & December Finance Reports-* Owana Miller motioned; seconded by Lori Lambert. All in favor motion approved 8-0.
- *Motion to approve HAST getting into a conversation with the Area Career Center-* Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Sheldon Cutler. All in favor motion approved 8-0.
- *Motion to adjourn-* Sheldon Cutler motioned; seconded by Janet Venecz. All in favor approved 8-0.

New Correspondence

- Kris Sakelaris received a letter from Ms. Narusis, HAST music teacher, explaining to the Board that she has created a Go Fund Me account to help pay for 20 keyboards that are needed in the music department.

School Leader Report

Committee Reports

- **Finance Committee-** Did not report. However, Sheldon Cutler spoke to Dennis Small about including ad hoc review reports of all extra-curricular clubs.

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- **Fundraising Committee-** Gabe Nava reported that all solicitation letters have been mailed out. They were sent out to over 100 addresses.
- **Personnel Committee-** Did not report.

Discussion Notes

- Randi Genung has been named the Lakeshore Chamber Teacher of the year. There will be an award dinner this month.
- Before voting on the decision of moving our accounts to First Midwest Bank from First Merchant's Bank, Kris Sakelaris is requesting Sheldon Cutler make himself available to speak to the bankers at First Midwest before the Board votes.
- Board retreat will be held April 13th at Lost Marsh, 9am to 3pm. Kris Sakelaris & Howard Cohen are working on an agenda for the day. Board members that encouraged to forward agenda ideas to Kris.

Board Financial Inquiries

- \$600 paid to Manuel Cuevas for Snow plowing. This covered the 2 snow days we had last month.
- \$474 paid to Mike's Sporting Goods for sports uniforms.
- \$656 paid to Sargent Electric Company for LED lights around the school. They haven't been coming on automatically. Dennis Small said the school received a grant that will cover this cost.

New Business

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Public Comment

- None

Meeting Adjourned at 5:01 p.m.