

HAMMOND URBAN ACADEMY, INC.
School Board Meeting Minutes Noted

Jan 21, 2021

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Marty Weilgos

School Representatives

Dennis Small (Business Manager)

In Attendance Virtually (Zoom):

Board Members:

Kris Sakelaris (Board President)

Anne Herbert

Janet Venecz

Heather Garay

Africa Tarver

Owana Miller

Lori Lambert (Parent Board Member)

Jackie Perez (Parent Board Member)

Julia Morales (Student Board Member)

Steve Grimm (Teacher Board Member)

Kevin Smith (Attorney)

School Representatives

Dr. Sean Egan (School Leader)

Mira Projovic (Minutes Secretary)

Not in Attendance:

Monica Rubio

Dave Ryan

Johnathon Lozano (PNW Extern)

Board meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m by Board President Kris Sakelaris.

Motions Approved by School Board

- *Motion to approve November 2020 meeting minutes* — Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Anne Herbert. All in favor motion approved 12-0.
- *Motion to approve November Financial Reports* — Marty Weilgos motioned; seconded by Heather Garay. All in favor motion approved 12-0.
- *Motion to approve December Financial Reports* — Anne Herbert motioned; seconded by Owana Miller. All in favor motion approved 12-0.
- *Motion to approve reappointments for Board Members Owana Miller, Janet Venecz, Africa Tarver & Marty Weilgos* — Heather Garay motioned; seconded by Anne Herbert. All in favor motion approved 12-0.
- *Motion to approve current board officers for another term* — Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Anne Herbert. All in favor motion approved 12-0.
- *Motion to adjourn* — Janet Venecz motioned; seconded by Anne Herbert. All in favor approved 12-0.

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New Correspondence

- Kris Sakelaris received 2 notices of reappointments for Board Members Janet Venecz & Owana Miller.

School Leader Report

Committee Reports

- **Finance Committee-** Committee did not meet.
- **Personnel Committee-** Committee did not meet.
- **Fundraising-** Committee on hold until further notice.

Discussion Notes

- The HAST Covid Taskforce met earlier with the following notes:
 - Jackie Perez said she is very impressed with the 6th grade teachers & the relationships they're building with the students.
 - Lori Lambert said the end of last year was difficult for her student but she's noticing an improvement this year.
 - Steve Grimm said the 8th grade team is making a point of reaching out to all students but especially those struggling with academics as well as personal/emotional issues. He also said many parents have expressed gratitude for the help they're receiving from the teachers.
 - Marty Weilgos gave his appreciation to the entire staff & Dr. Egan for all they've done to meet the challenges this school year.
 - Dr. Egan will be issuing a survey to all staff, students & parents to determine what plan the school will have for the 4th quarter. He will issue the survey in time to give the results during the February board meeting.
- Kris Sakelaris motioned for reappointment of the following board members:
 - Owana Miller (Mayor's appointment)
 - Janet Venecz (City Council appointment)
 - Africa Tarver (Hammond Development Corp appointment)
 - Marty Weilgos (At-large member)
- Janet Venecz motioned for the current board officers to remain for another term. They include:
 - Secretary- Owana Miller
 - Treasury- Heather Garay
 - President- Kris Sakelaris
- Dr. Egan reported there will be no lottery this year for incoming 6th graders. He attributes this to Hammond redistricting school zones & many parents not wishing to move children who now attend an elementary school that caters to 6th grade.

Board Financial Inquiries

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New Business

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Public Comment

- None

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Meeting Adjourned at 5:09 p.m.