



Athlos Academy

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Athlos Academy of St. Cloud

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday April 26, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Location

3701 33rd Street South
St. Cloud, MN 56301 United States

If you plan to virtually attend, please contact Jill Turgeon at jturgeon@athlosacademies.org with your full name to be admitted to the meeting.

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96868254613>

Directors Present

A. Grimsley, A. Schwenzfeler, J. Johnson, N. Yussuf, P. King (remote), R. Hull

Directors Absent

None

Ex Officio Members Present

R. Vetsch

Non Voting Members Present

R. Vetsch

Guests Present

A. Dierkes, Belinda Bergren (remote), C. Vollmer (remote), J. Turgeon (remote), Jen Geraghty, K. Leybas (remote), Kerin Helmke (remote), T. Schultz (remote)

I. Opening Items**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

A. Grimsley called a meeting of the board of directors of Athlos Academy of St. Cloud to order on Monday Apr 26, 2021 at 5:03 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Call For Conflicts

None

D. Public Comment

None

II. Consent Agenda

A. Athlos Report

B. Approve minutes from 3-22-2021 meeting

N. Yussuf made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 03-22-21.

A. Schwenzfeler seconded the motion.

Approve consent agenda

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Board Development

A. Mission Statement

Read by Rebecca Hull

B. Board Training-Policy 201

Jill Turgeon did a power point presentation on good policy expectations. The responsibility of the board is to read the policies as they are in place for accuracy or for restructuring to make them consistent with the others. She outlined what defines a clear policy.

IV. Administrative Reports

A. Finance Report

Celeste Vollmer presented the March financials as presented in the packet. She spoke about revenue and expenses as we are 75% through the year. Jon-Scott asked where Randy's salary and benefits were and Celeste stated they are in purchased services.

B. Accept Financials

A. Grimsley made a motion to accept the financials as presented.

R. Hull seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

Jon-Scott Johnson stated that the information that was presented to the finance committee was incorrect so the meeting was short. Jon-Scott Johnson asked for the updated information and Celeste stated it is in Board on Track but she will send it over. Jon-Scott talked about the COVID funds that may be coming and where the focus is for that spending, such as reaching the students that were lost during distance learning.

B. Governance Committee

Rebecca Hall said that the committee met this afternoon. They wrote a draft committee mission statement. 2004-2007 policies were reviewed. They relate to board members and interaction. They spoke about the travel policy and the compliance notification that needs to be sent in by Randy.

C. Pillars Committee

Aaron Schwenzfeier said they met on Wednesday morning. They spoke about the performance character and the huddles and discussed the performance character schedule. They asked for some feedback from staff to strengthen that pillar. They will review the feedback next meeting.

VI. Discussion Items

A. Special Education Proposal

Creatively focused is our special education director contract. The proposal presented is for the 21-22 school year. Board discussion around questions on what is included in the contract price. This will be added to next months meeting for approval.

B. MSA

The initial MSA agreement that was founded at the start of this school will be up for renewal. The exact date that the contract ends is June 30, 2021. Jon-Scott asked if the new proposal is ready for reviewal and when we can get it. Jon-Scott would like Jill Turgeon and Celeste Vollmer to ask Darin Knicely for the new MSA proposal and get back to the board as to when it will be ready. Andrew Grimsley explained to Pat King that the board would like the services provided from Home Court be reviewed for the cost AASC is paying. He would like services reviewed to see what is needed going forward. Jon-Scott would like to know if the hours that HC puts in is a valuable service to the school. He stated that there has been no discussion about dropping HC entirely but rather evaluating the cost of what we are paying to the services being provided. Jen Geraghty spoke about some of the services that are provided such as marketing and branding, uniforms, and the website. Aaron Schwenzfeier would like to know what the least amount we can pay is to keep our school open and functioning as an Athlos school. He wants to know if some of their services can be done locally. He would like to see the cost come down so the school can be financially responsible. Noor Yussuf suggested that the board create a committee to determine what services we want to propose a need for. The board questioned who is the point person at HC that writes the MSA. No one on the zoom call from Home Court knew the answer but Kyle Lebas stated he'd have an answer by mid morning tomorrow (4/26). Jon-Scott questioned if the percentage is negotiable. Pat King stated that some of the services that are provided in the current MSA is no longer necessary and thinks the timing is right. She's happy to see it being reviewed. Rebecca Hull stated that we cannot renew a contract if we don't know what we are paying for. She would like to know who the point person is and who the board needs to work with to negotiate the MSA going forward.

VII. Action Items

A. Transportation Contract

Jen Geraghty- Palmer Transportation submitted a RFP and we are excited to work with them. Board discussion.

R. Hull made a motion to approve the transportation contract with Palmer Bus Service.

A. Schwenzfeier seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

N. Yussuf Aye

A. Schwenzfeier Aye

R. Hull Aye

Roll Call

J. Johnson	No
A. Grimsley	Aye
P. King	Aye

B. Financial Services Proposal

Board discussion regarding the contract for accounting services with Bergan KDV.
J. Johnson made a motion to approve the proposal as presented from Bergan KDV.
R. Hull seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. New Hires

Samantha Cooper- EL Para (replacement hire)
R. Hull made a motion to approve the new hires.
J. Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Dierkes

A. Grimsley made a motion to adjourn.

R. Hull seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.