

The Governing Board of Freedom Preparatory Academy

HELD A PUBLIC MEETING

IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

January 27, 2022 – 12:15 PM-12:58 PM

In attendance via zoom: Cary McConnell, CAO, Robert Merrill, CFO, board member Thomas Chan, Executive Director Lynne Herring, Director of Finance Chris Helvey, COO Buddy Ivie, Principals Carrie Banfield and Grayson Wolf, and Karla Kay Snow. Executive Secretary Tracey Noonan and FPA student Alexa Dadson participated at anchor location. Board member Jay Garlock joined via zoom at 12:22 and board member Paul Baltes joined via zoom at 12:30. Kim Flewallen joined via zoom at 12:30.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes from the December 17, 2021, Governing Board Meeting

Thomas Chan moved to approve the December 17, 2021, Governing Board Meeting minutes. Robert Merrill seconded. 3-0 passed, no opposition; Paul Baltes and Jay Garlock absent.

2. Approval of minutes from the December 22, 2021, Governing Board Meeting

Robert Merrill moved to approve the December 22, 2021, Governing Board Meeting minutes. Thomas Chan seconded. 3-0 passed, no opposition; Paul Baltes and Jay Garlock absent.

3. Executive Director Update

Includes Principal updates from each campus as well.

No action required.

4. Budget Update

50% of school year completed. Updated budget with more detail will be completed and distributed to GB members next week.

No action required.

5. Appointments to Uniform Policy Committees

Lynne explained that the purpose of Uniform Policy Committee is to review the existing Uniform Policy and possibly make suggestions for changes to the Governing Board to be addressed during the GB retreat in June. Typically, the committees are made up of FPA parents, PTO members, principals, and student reps plus a GB member. There will be a committee for elementary campus and a committee for secondary campus. Jay Garlock will be the GB rep for the secondary campus committee and Thomas Chan will be the GB rep for the elementary campus committee.

6. Review SY 2021 Land Trust Budget and Expenses

Discussion of Land Trust Plan. Chris explained that the state overpaid FPA this year, resulting in less funding for next year.

No action required.

7. Approve Foreign Exchange Student Agreement with Educatius Group

Chris Helvey reviewed agreement for GB including minor changes suggested by FPA legal counsel.

Robert Merrill moved to approve the Foreign Exchange Student Agreement pending changes. Jay Garlock seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

Chris Helvey stated that Policy 41 will be presented at the next GB meeting for approval.

8. Approve Revised Bullying and Hazing Policy #18

Revised policy contains very minor edits explained by Lynne Herring.

Thomas Chan moved to approve the updated Bullying and Hazing Policy #18. Jay Garlock seconded. 4-0 passed, no opposition. Robert Merrill abstained because he had stepped away during the discussion.

9. Report on School Safety

10. Report on Digital Citizenship

Buddy Ivie discussed both reports together. These reports are connected to Land Trust Grant requirements. Some minor typos found which will be fixed.

No action required.

11. The Governing Board may consider a motion for a Closed Meeting in accordance with The Utah Open and Public Meetings Act for purposes outlined in Utah Code*

Not needed.

Next Governing Board Meeting scheduled for February 24th @ 12:00PM

12. Adjourn

Paul moved to adjourn @12:58PM

*The Freedom Preparatory Academy Governing Board may consider a motion to close the meeting to hold a strategy session to discuss the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property, and/or the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual in conformance with § 52-4-204 and 52-4-205 et. Seq., Utah Code Ann.

Board Goals 2020

- a. Student and Employee Success
 - i. Ensure the development data-driven methods to understand student success.
 - ii. Contribute to improving lives through development of policies and practices
- b. Operational Efficiency
 - i. Require school to operate in the black
 - ii. Oversee Retaining and Enrolling Students
 - iii. Quarterly Enrollment review
 - iv. Regular Policy Review each Board Meeting
- c. Community Relations
 - i. Be involved regularly in Parent and Student engagement activities
 - ii. Evaluate PR quarterly
 - iii. Governing Board Members attend and assist fundraisers
- d. Specific Areas of Focus
 - i. Define what makes Freedom different/unique
 - ii. Support consistent culture across campuses