

The Governing Board of Freedom Preparatory Academy

HELD A PUBLIC MEETING

IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

October 27, 2022 – 12:00 PM- 1:27 PM

In attendance via zoom: Cary McConnell, CAO, Robert Merrill, CFO, board members Paul Baltes, Thomas Chan, Jay Garlock, Executive Director Lynne Herring, Director of Finance Chris Helvey, Principals Carrie Banfield, Matt Fullmer, Brandon Winn, Grayson Wolf, Assistant Principal Brandon Waite, and Curriculum Director Karla Kay Snow. Executive Secretary Tracey Noonan and Director of Operations Buddy Ivie participated at the anchor location.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of minutes from the September 22, 2022, Governing Board Meeting

Robert Merrill moved to approve the August 2, 2022, Governing Board Meeting minutes with two minor edits.

Paul Baltes seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

2. Approve LEA Specific License for Five Teachers

Laura Frisby & Charlotte Jones need a K-12 PE endorsement, Clark Stephens needs a speech endorsement, Lily Stice needs some CTE endorsements, and Chelsea Zuniga needs a secondary math endorsement.

Jay Garlock moved to approve the LEA Specific endorsements as discussed.

Thomas Chan seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

3. Review Financial Statements

Chris Helvey summarized budget/finances so far this school year.

4. Approve or Deny Disposal of Textbooks Policy (Continued from September 22, 2022, meeting)

Paul Baltes noticed spacing issues on this and other policies. He will work with Tracey Noonan on getting those corrected.

All policies will be discussed and then either edited or approved as is.

Buddy Ivie will answer any policy questions that the members of the Governing Board may have.

Robert Merrill moved to approve the Disposal of Textbooks Policy.
Paul Baltes seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

5. Approve or Deny LEA Specific Educator Licensing Policy (Continued from September 22, 2022, meeting)

Cary McConnell explained that this policy was continued from the September meeting in order to add some wording that included eminence designation.

Paul Baltes moved to approve the LEA Specific Educator Licensing Policy
Jay Garlock seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

6. Approve or Deny Policies Listed Below:

- a. Concussions and Head Injury Policy

Paul Baltes suggested some unclear wording be removed.

Robert Merrill expressed appreciation for this policy as it will support the school's coaches/athletic leaders.

Thomas Chan also stated that this policy will help to ensure the safety of student athletes.

- b. Youth Protection Policy

Tabled until future meeting.

- c. Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA) Policy

Tabled until future meeting.

- d. Student Activities and Supervision Policy

Paul Baltes asked for clarification on a few points which Buddy Ivie explained.

- e. Plan for College and Career Readiness Policy

Paul Baltes suggested some language edits.

- f. Alternative Language Services for Utah Students Policy

Paul Baltes suggested some language edits.

- g. Absence of Policy Policy

Paul Baltes stated that this policy is a great idea.
No edits needed.

h. Effective Educator Standards Policy

No edits needed.

i. Selection and Purchase of Instructional Materials Policy

No edits needed.

j. Requirements for Assessment of Student Achievement Policy

No edits needed.

k. Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Policy

Paul Baltes suggested some language edits.

l. Background Check Policy

Paul Baltes suggested some language edits.

m. Dropout Prevention and Recovery Policy

Tabled until future meeting.

n. Title 1A Program and Comparability Policy

No edits needed.

o. Youth Suicide Prevention Policy

Cary McConnell, Robert Merrill, Paul Baltes, Buddy Ivie, Jay Garlock, Thomas Chan, and Lynne Herring suggested some language edits.

Paul Baltes moved to approve the listed policies a through o with edits as discussed and to table policies b, c, and m.

Robert Merrill seconded. 5-0 passed, no opposition.

The Governing Board members thanked all those who participated in creating these policies.

7. Appoint Two Board Members to FPA 1 & 2 Land Trust Board

Thomas Chan moved to appoint Paul Baltes and Jay Garlock to the FPA1 & FPA2 Land Trust Board.

8. 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*

Stricken-not needed.

Next Governing Board meeting scheduled for January 26th, 2023, at noon.

Robert Merrill suggested that, in the future, policies be sent to the board in an editable file so edits can be made before the board meeting.

9. Adjourn

Robert Merrill moved to adjourn @ 1:27 PM

*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