



AVANT GARDE ACADEMY, INC.

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

January 24, 2015 at 11:00 am

at Avant Garde Academy of Osceola

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by Julia Valent at 11:30 am. The following Board Members were present: Julia Valent, President, Dr. Antonio Cruz, Treasurer and Mario Ruiz, Secretary. Others present: Griselle Supriana, PTO President, Tiffany Hughes, Principal, Melissa March, Fabio D'Ascola, Walter Martinez and Frank Bolaños.

I. Open for Public Comment (regarding agenda items)

There were no public comments.

II. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes
- b. Ratification of December 8, 2014 Report to the District
- c. Revised Policies & Procedures: Cash Reserves Policy; Segregation of Financial Duties Policy; Conflict of Interest Policy

A. Cruz moved to approve the consent items, seconded by M.Ruiz. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Recommended Action Items for Discussion & Possible Action

- a. Approval of Form 990 Tax Exempt Filing

A. Cruz moved to approve, seconded by M.Ruiz. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. School Report

J. Valent read the school's Mission and asked staff to point out how that mission is being met.

- a. Principal's Report
- b. Management Company's Report

PTO president reported on school parent participation and activities. T. Hughes stated that student enrollment numbers are being reviewed. Current report shows a net loss of 19 students, primarily due to a high, county-wide rate of mobility. Staff and management believe that this number reflects an undercount. The development of the artificial turf field commences next month (February). Student data, revised schedule for remediation and Saturday Math, Reading and Science boot camp were reviewed and discussed. Staff indicated that they are seeing important student learning gains. A marketing plan was presented, reviewed and approved. The Florida School Leader Assessment program was presented and reviewed. The school's Sea Cadet's program was discussed and lauded as a successful, best practice.

M. Ruiz moved to approve the Principal's and management company reports, seconded by A. Cruz. Motion passed unanimously.

V. Financial

- a. Ratification of Annual Budget
- b. December 2014 Financial Report

The reports and school finances were discussed. A. Cruz moved to approve, seconded by M. Ruiz. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Old Business

There was no old business.

VII. New Business

There was no new business.

VIII. Board Member Comments

The Board thanked staff for their hard work and efforts.

M. Ruiz moved to conclude the meeting, seconded by A. Cruz. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 1:27 pm.