

AVANT GARDE ACADEMY, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

April 26TH, 2019, 1:00 p.m.

2880 North Orange Blossom Trail, Kissimmee FL 34746

Mission: Avant Garde Academy will provide a student centered learning environment that develops the whole child and provides them with the 21st Century skills to become responsible leaders in their community.

The meeting was called to order by Julia Valent at 1:20p.m. The following board members were in attendance: Julia Valent, Erika Gonzalez, and Dr. Antonio Cruz. Also, in attendance were: Dr. Elaine Perez, Guillermo Moreno, Jason Gines, Deanna Palonis, Frank Bolanos, Frances Bolanos, Lillian Afre, Rafael Mestre, and Lorenzo Cobiella

I. Approval of Minutes for March 21st and April 6th, 2019

E. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the March 21st and April 6th, 2019 minutes, seconded by A. Cruz. The motion passed.

II. Open for Public/Parental Comment (*regarding agenda items)

There were no public comments.

III. Approval of March 2019 Financial Reports to the District for all Campuses

R. Mestre reviewed the financials with the Board; PH is negative but tracking better than budget. A. Cruz questioned the Facilities overage amount; R. Mestre explained it was due to February being booked in March. J. Valent questioned Misc expense line; R. Mestre explained it was computer depreciation.

E. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the March 2019 Financial Reports, seconded by A. Cruz. The motion passed.

IV. Approval of AGA Broward Articulation Agreement

F. Bolanos presented the Articulation agreement. A. Cruz made a motion to approve the AGA Broward Articulation Agreement, seconded by E. Gonzalez. The motion passed.

V. Approval of OBT Out Of Field Teachers

J. Gines reviewed the OBT Out of Field with the Board. A. Cruz made a motion to approve the OBT Out of Field Teachers, seconded by E. Gonzalez. The motion passed.

VI. AGA Foundation Gala Update

J. Valent updated the Board on the AGA Gala, the event was very successful; 109 attended, an increase from last year; raised \$39,701.00 net. Awarded the first Teacher of the Year Award and planning to also have an Admin of the Year award at next year's event.

VII. School Reports & Financial Updates

A. OSCEOLA (K8)

i. Student Enrollment, Campus Data, Principal's Update

G. Moreno updated the Board; current enrollment 279 (started year with 189) for next year 200 students have re-enrolled to date, 46 students graduating this year. FSA testing starts next Thursday. Using iReady and iExcel monthly usage hours have increased. Fully staffed and wrote a \$5K grant for a Transitional Mental Health person. Purchased No Trespassing signs and chains to block entry areas. ESE compliance audit scheduled May 12, started testing for next year eligibility. Has a plan for everyday of Teacher Appreciation week.

B. OSCEOLA (6-12)

i. Student Enrollment, Campus Data, Principal's Update

J. Gines updated the Board; current enrollment 576 (started year with 477) for next year 67 new students have enrolled to date, 73 students graduation this year. iReady Math & Reading scores have improved and USA Test Prep usage has increased. FSA mock testing started. 100% of students did SAT testing, starting AP testing next week. PD on Cultural Diversity was held. Nine students were granted \$2K Ford Scholarships, and 9 students qualified for Bi-Literacy awards.

VIII. Old Business

There was no old business.

IX. New Business

G. Moreno provided the board a Printer proposal for next year. Also inquired into possibility of participating in the Florida Retirement Plan.

Board discussed a possible Holiday event next year for teachers and administration to build team spirit.

E. Gonzalez motioned to approve potential transition plan if needed to transfer students from PH to OBT campus; seconded by A. Cruz. The motion passed.

X. Board Members Comments

There were no board member comments.

E. Gonzalez made a motion to adjourn, seconded by A. Cruz. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05pm

XI. Executive Session

Notes on separate document.

*Public Comments participants may elect to speak on each regular agenda item for up to three minutes and for a combined total of six minutes.