

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARISTOI CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC.
November 16, 2020**


A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Aristoi Classical Academy, Inc., charter holder for Aristoi Classical Academy, was held on **Monday, November 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the School**, 5610 Morton Road, TX 77493-1971.

1. Call to order and establishment of a quorum. L. Botond called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Also in attendance were R. Williams, G. Ferguson, J. Craig, A. Cox, A. Hovis, D. Thompson, A. Amboree, D. Cummins, K. Locheed, and D. Guel.
2. Hearing of citizens. None.
3. Discuss, consider and approve minutes for September 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. There was a typo on this item. It should read October 19 instead of September 21. Motion to approve minutes for October 19, 2020 Regular Board Meeting: A. Cox. Second: R. Williams. Unanimous approval.
4. Discuss, consider and approve plans for school year 2020-2021 in light of COVID-19 guidance from TEA, plans from area school districts, calendar options, surveys and any related information or considerations. Hear report from superintendent on how the online and on- campus teaching and logistics are evolving, and discuss any updates or changes. No changes proposed. Mrs. Locheed reported that approximately 72% of Upper School students are on ground. TEA gave permission for schools to require students that are not doing well to come back to school. Aristoi will be doing this via SSC meetings and parents will be contacted. D. Cummins reported that online students are struggling, especially special populations. D. Guel reported that Cypress has very few students online.
5. Discuss, consider and approve the renovation to the warming kitchen at Crossover to apply for a Harris County health permit. The replication grant allows for renovations. The improvement will be over \$15,000, so it requires board approval. Motion to delegate authority the business manager and superintendent to get proposals and renovate the kitchen at the Cypress campus: L. Botond. Second: A. Hovis. Unanimous approval.
6. Discuss and consider an update on the Cypress Campus, including but not limited to enrollment, facilities, renovations, leadership team and faculty. An art teacher was hired. She will also help with first grade. Enrollment is 79 but some others are in the process of enrolling. Only 15 students are doing online instruction.
7. Discuss, consider and approve Aristoi's Annual Financial Management Report. The superintendent at-will will be updated to reflect the new salary. The audit was clean. Aristoi received a superior rating. The report will be posted on the website.
8. Discuss and consider administration's update on HB3 legislative requirements and Aristoi's academic goals. K. Locheed reported on college, career, and military readiness. She is proposing goals to increase the percentage of students deemed ready in this category. The Texas Success Initiative test will be offered

- to students. SAT preparation will also be offered. Elementary plans will be presented in December.
9. Hear and discuss update on school technology issues. J. Jones reported that approximately 300 devices have been handed out to students, including PCs, iPads and hot spots. Mr. Jones was just notified that another 100 PCs are being donated by Shell. The ability to livestream in class is being implemented for teachers to help with online students.
 10. Discuss, consider, and approve the Superintendent's salary. The superintendent makes less than other superintendents at schools of similar size. She is filling the headmaster role as well. Mrs. Amboree reviewed comparable salaries. Motion to approve raising the superintendent salary to \$110,000: A. Hovis. Second: G. Ferguson. Unanimous approval.
 11. Hear and discuss the report from the Superintendent. AA
 - A. Enrollment-79 in Cypress, 994 in Katy
 - B. Financial
 - C. Faculty and Staff (report on new hires, resignations)
 - D. Student Testing
 - E. Curriculum
 - F. Professional Development
 - G. Marketing/Communication
 - H. Development/Fundraising/Grants-The year end appeal is underway.
 - I. Campus Security
 - J. Facilities
 - K. Extra-Curricular
 - L. Title 1/Parent Involvement
 - M. Dress Code
 - N. Compliance
 - O. Miscellaneous
 12. Discuss and consider taking action from Superintendent's Report. None.
 13. Hear a report from the Budget Finance Committee. A. Cox reported that the business plan will be updated. The school reached out to Masterson Advisors regarding a potential bond refinance.
 14. Discuss items to be placed on the December Regular Meeting Agenda. Superintendent salary, HB 3 update for elementary
 15. Adjourn. Motion to adjourn: A. Hovis. Second: R. Williams. Unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Prepared by Julie Craig

This is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the meeting held on November 16, 2020, as approved by the Board of Directors on December 14, 2020.


Lucina R. Botond, Board President