## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARISTOI CLASSICAL ACADEMY, INC. October 18, 2021

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Aristoi Classical Academy, Inc., charter holder for Aristoi Classical Academy ("School") was held on **Monday, October 18, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the School,** 5610 Morton Road, Katy, 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 present were R. Williams, A. Hovis, A. Cox, S. Dollahon D. Light, B. Davidson, K. Locheed, C. Cimpean, T. Boling, D. Guel, J. Malone and D. Thompson
- 2. Hearing of citizens. None
- 3. Discuss, consider and approve minutes for September 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

  Motion to approve the minutes for Regular Board Meeting: R. Williams. Second: A. Cox. Approved unanimously.
- 4. Hear an update on the revision of the Morton Road campus master plan.
  - Andy Hovis reported that no drawings are yet available but should be ready by the end of October. For what he saw, it looks very nice. Andy thinks the board take a close look at the size of the cafeteria, locker rooms and parking lot and make sure the area/size is fit to accommodate the school realistically. He said overall the plans are going well and would need to get with the Budget & Finance Committee as well before moving forward. Lucina Botond added that the plans seemed more of a 'block plan' and we would need to customize some areas, like the conference room & other rooms, to align with our school needs.
- 5. Discuss, consider and approve the engagement of Whitley Penn as the auditor for the 2020-2021 fiscal year audit. Motion to approve the engagement with Whitley Penn as the independent auditors for the 2020-2021 fiscal year audit: A. Cox. Second: R. Williams. Approved unanimously.
- 6. Update on HB3 Goal  $1 3^{rd}$  grade reading 2021 STAAR results. Kathryn Locheed began by stating that Aristoi STAAR test results, at the district level, were above state average. These results were from the spring 2021/May tests. She asked Mr. Boling to speak regarding the Katy campuses and Ms. Guel for the Cypress campus. Mr. Boling presented the board with a graph and spreadsheet which broke down the results by student groups. During the 2021 STAAR, the state average was 38% passing while Aristoi was at 55% passing. All groups did well but are focused on the Special Ed and Economically Disadvantaged groups. Some things that are being done: \* Adjust the master schedule to reflect our response to intervention times in the morning and in the afternoon. \* Provide consistent, high impact tutoring programs that build a strong relationship with the student. \* Teachers will participate in a Reading Academy by the 2023 school year (K-3). \* Tutoring sessions will be data driven and built around student strengths and needs. \* Hired additional specialists. \* Tutoring groups and intervention groups. \* Academic progress meetings each nine weeks to reevaluate student's academic progress. \* Review student assessment data to identify key gaps in student learning. \* Student groups divided by content area, grade level and student population. \* Community partnership focusing on K-4 parental involvement through math and literacy. Deborah Guel stated the Cypress campus were presented with challenges due to COVID-19 previous school year and it had an impact on the STAAR test results. The state average was 38% passing, while Aristoi Cypress 3<sup>rd</sup> graders were at 36% passing. Important to note that very few students at Cypress were in the testing group. They had teacher shortage and students that were online proved not doing well. Good news is the benchmarking tests from this August 2021, are proving to be good at 57%. In efforts to continue

towards a good trend and are being done specialist has been brought in to help teachers help the students.

- 7. Hear and discuss the report from the Superintendent. BD
  - a. Enrollment
  - 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
  - i. Campus Security
  - j. Facilities
  - k. Extra-Curricular
  - 1. Title 1/Parent Involvement
  - m. Dress Code
  - n. Compliance
  - o. Miscellaneous
- 8. Discuss and consider taking action from Superintendent's Report.

None

9. Hear a report from the Budget Finance Committee.

None

10. Discuss items to be placed on the November Regular Meeting Agenda.

Informal Review for Superintendent

Masterson Advisors

Architect Update Master Plan

Cypress Campus

Annual Finance Management Report

TCLAS Report

 $HB3 - 3^{rd}$  grade math review (STAAR)

11. Adjourn.

Motion to adjourn: A. Cox. Second: S. Dollahon. Unanimously approved. Adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

## Prepared by Adriana Cox

Lucina R. Botond, Board President