

# North Davis Preparatory Academy Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, August 2, 2017

**Location:** Elementary Library, 1765 W. Hill Field Rd., Layton, UT 84041

**In Attendance:** Jennifer Bazzano, Maggie Arave, Monte Poll, Rita Brock

**Others in Attendance:** Ryan Robinson, Trent Brown, Dawn Kawaguchi, Brad Taylor (7:20 p.m.), Cole Arnold (via phone 7:15 p.m.)



## VISION:

North Davis Preparatory Academy students develop a love of learning, experience high academic achievement, and enjoy high bi-literate proficiency.

## BOARD CONSTITUTION:

- ★ We will Govern, not Manage. We will set the direction and goals for the school, but we will not micromanage the day to day administration of the school.
- ★ We will speak with "One Voice". We will recognize that our authority is only valid as a group and not as individuals. We will not use our position on the Board to promote our own personal agendas.
- ★ We will make the Spanish language a key element of our school.
- ★ We will make decisions that will keep NDPA financially stable.
- ★ We will review our Charter before making any dramatic changes to school policy.

## MINUTES

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### 6:13 PM – INTRODUCTORY ITEMS

- ❖ Welcome and Introductions – Jennifer Bazzano
- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance
- ❖ Vision – Rita
- ❖ Board Constitution – Jenn

**There was no PUBLIC COMMENT.**

### BOARD INTERVIEWS

- ❖ The board interview both Dale Pfister and Jenna Taylor for an open board position. Each member had an opportunity to ask questions as well as the principal. Because Dale is a principal at another local charter school, he was asked if he felt there was a conflict of interest because the school he works at could possibly be a competitor.

**7:21 PM – Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to enter into a CLOSED SESSION to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205(1)(a). The votes were as follows:**

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**Jennifer Bazzano – Aye**  
**Maggie Arave – Aye**  
**Monte Poll – Aye**  
**Rita Brock – Aye**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**7:43 PM – Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to exit the CLOSED SESSION. The votes were as follows:**

**Jennifer Bazzano – Aye**  
**Maggie Arave – Aye**  
**Monte Poll – Aye**  
**Rita Brock – Aye**

**Motion passed unanimously.**

## **REPORTS**

### **❖ Administration**

- *State of the School* – Ryan Robinson reviewed the AP Spanish Test Scores. Six out of seven students who took the test passed which is amazing. High school seniors are taking this test. Ryan highlighted his teacher exchange study abroad trip to Spain. He has invited both Toni and Amanda to the October board meeting to give a five-minute report to the board on what they each got out of the trip.

### **❖ Academica West**

- *Finance Report* – Since Cole was not able to be here Brad Taylor reported on the financial standing of the school. There was discussion on enrollment.

**Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to approve the CONSENT ITEMS. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **❖ Ratify New Hires – Ryan reviewed the new hires.**

- Alba Fornells – Kinder Teacher (Replacing Bea Segura)
- Fernando Mateo – 3rd Grade Teacher (Begona Fortune - LOA)
- Laura Arroyo – 4th Grade Teacher (Replacing Ana Morcillo)
- Carla Amoros – 5th Grade Teacher (Replacing David Henestrosa)
- Esther Pueyo – 5th Grade Teacher (Replacing Jose Manuel moving to 6th)
- Cassidy Vause – 5th Grade Teacher (Replacing Mary Webber moving to 3rd)
- Necia Wiggins – 6th Grade Teacher (Replacing Carolyn Staley)
- Jorge Manan – Spec. Educ. Co-Director (New Position)
- Javier Berzal – Jr. High Spanish (Replacing Ana Galan)
- Kim Adair – 5/6 Recess (Replacing Stephanie Shultz)
- Dustin Izatt – OT Aide (Replacing Sydne Gerrard)
- Eilyn Vavricka – In House Substitute (New Position)
- Gaby Smith – Secretary (New Position)
- Noemi Erickson – K-4 Spec. Educ. Teacher (Replacing Jennifer Evans)
- Stephanie Clark – 5-9 Spec. Educ. Teacher (Replacing Kristen Curtis)
- Mary Webber – 3rd Grade Teacher – (Replacing Alaina Youngs)

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- Jose Manuel Escobero – 6th Grade Teacher (Replacing Antonio Alarcon)
  - Kristen Curtis – Spec. Educ. Co-Director (Replacing Deanna Billings)
  - Lorie Cherone – Administration Assist (Replacing Deanna Billings)
- ❖ Approve March 29, 2017 Closed Session Affidavit
  - ❖ Approve June 7, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

**BUSINESS ITEMS (To Be Voted Upon During Board Meeting)**

- ❖ Discuss and Vote on Appointment of New Board Member with a 4-year term to expire June 2021 – There was no further discussion. **Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to appoint Dale Pfister with a new 4-year term to expire June 2021. Motion passed unanimously.**
- ❖ Discuss and Vote on Amended Wellness Policy – Ryan Robinson reviewed the amended Wellness Policy. The main addition for this policy is to have a plan of the procedures for student who don't have funds to pay for lunch. Each student is required to have a copy of the procedures. There is a record keep component as well. **Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to approve the amended Wellness Policy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**OTHER BUSINESS ITEMS (Items for Discussion Only)**

- ❖ Calendaring Items – Jennifer Bazzano
  - Next Board Meeting – October 4<sup>th</sup>

*Ryan took a few minutes to talk to the board about the 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Spanish science fair project that they entered last year. Six of the final projects were selected to go to the finals. Last year, Ryan ear marked some funds to pay for the students to go if they had students selected to go to the finals. Jose Manual thinks that there will be at least three of the projects that have a good chance to win. The administration will be reaching out to the parents of those students. Ryan stated that if this something that the board would like to continue doing every year, he would like to have it in the budget like the 9<sup>th</sup> grade Spain trip.*

**8:08 PM – Jennifer Bazzano made a motion to ADJOURN. Motion passed unanimously.**