

Governing Board Minutes

December 6th, 2022

Northpoint Expeditionary Learning Academy

5:00 P.M.

[Zoom Meeting](#) Link

Meeting ID: 760 3159 8544

Password: 9ngBi7

Attendance

Members Present:

Cody Chewning - CC

Grant Hettleman - GH

Cynthia Fimbrez -CF

Members Absent:

Zohar Kroner - ZK

Staff Present:

Melissa Wagoner - MW

Sharon Felker - SF

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 5:04 pm
Cody - Grant - Cynthia - Sharon and Melissa
2. CALL TO PUBLIC - None
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. Consider approving minutes from October 4th, 2022
Motion to approve GH - CF 2nd - All in favor - approved
4. REVIEW & APPROVAL
 - a. **Consideration of Board Member applicant Galen Dennis**
Motion to approve GH - CC 2nd - Carried.
 - b. Review Visitor Policy and Request Form
Was tabled - (MW) Does look pretty good overall. We haven't had a single request but the law is still present. (CC) It seems good to me.
Motion to approve - Or should we wait until next month for Zoe? Tabled until next month.
5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS AND DISCUSSION
 - a. School Report
 - i. 21-22 SY Final Audit Review
Overall, it looks good - low risk - no issues.
 - ii. A Sweet Surprise for Staff

A one time (never before) longevity bonus was given at the end of 1st Semester. This was \$400 per year with Northpoint. This was given to all staff! We could have done other things with current savings but we really wanted to give the money to the people in the trenches. Staff who are staying in education - it matters! ALL Staff were very grateful and the energy at the Staff CHristmas Party this year was awesome. Northpoint paid all taxes on the bonus. We felt like it was ok to proceed with this bonus pay because over the past 2 years we have had a kick back from our Health Ins that equalled nearly the same amount.

iii. Enrollment, staffing, activities

Enrollment is at 157 and we have 8 waiting for next semester. We have had students in/out but the reasons are many, some have moved, some are personal but not necessarily US related per say. Incoming is 7th-9th. MS is not busting at the seams but we hope to bring in what we see leaving. We'd like to be at 175 but we're ok.

Staffing: Our 9/12 ENG teacher resigned - so we are looking at candidates for ELA. Morgoth is back for intensives and willing to be a long term sub, if needed.. We do have a candidate from CA, so we are hoping he will come to do a teach out. We actually have 2 candidates and Morgoth as back up. LS is back PT thru Dec. It was nice to have COL open to the public. It was a great night.

Dec 20th - Is COL for MS and EXPO for the HS from 3-5. All are invited. Intensives have started with everyone getting their first or second choice. Keeping classes at about 14 students. NOLA leaves tomorrow at 4 am. 13 kids and 3 adults MM and LR have planned this very well. We have Winter Gathering totally planned w/ weather alternatives if needed.

6. NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday, January 5th, 2023 - Via Zoom

Remember that the meeting was changed from Tues to Thurs.

7. ADJOURNMENT @ 6:00 PM