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# Board Meeting Agenda

April 14, 2021

4:00 pm

7899 Lexington Drive  
Colorado Springs, CO 80920  
New Summit Charter Academy  
Pikes Peak Conference Room

**I. Call Meeting to Order: 4:03 pm**

i. Roll Call

Mr. Aaron Salt	Mr. Doug Downey	Mr. Eric Davis	Mr. Anthony Bachmann	Mrs. Michelle Ruehl
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ii. Pledge of Allegiance (**Mr. Salt**)

iii. Approval of the agenda

**I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE 04/14/2021 NSCA BOARD MEETING**

Motion to Approve: *Anthony Bachmann*

2nd: *Eric Davis*

Roll Call:

Mr. Aaron Salt	Mr. Doug Downey	Mr. Eric Davis	Mr. Anthony Bachmann	Mrs. Michelle Ruehl
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Motion Action: *Passed*

**II. Public Comment Agenda Items**

*Each presenter will be limited to 3 minutes*

*(No public comment during this meeting)*

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## III. Comments

### a. Board Members

#### i. Aaron Salt

1. Blessed with baby girl yesterday, 04/13/2021!

#### ii. Eric Davis

1. Have a friend from Ethiopia that is here visiting and he introduced him to Kim and she has really shown him a lot in order to help better his school and create a sister school for NSCA in Ethiopia

### b. Executive Director

#### i. EAC Update

1. SB182 (School Discipline) failed, Mr. Coppin was not needed for testimony on that bill

#### ii. UBG had a meeting with us last week to try and figure out a plan for possibly building our own gym

1. UBG is giving us several proposals that we can look at and act on

#### iii. Our refinance looks promising, our call date has already occurred so we are looking into options for us moving forward

1. We are looking at options for improvements including atrium lighting, HVAC, parking lot resurfacing

#### iv. Health and Safety Task Force has had several meetings this week

1. We have 2 cohorts will positive cases

##### a. 1 student in 5<sup>th</sup> grade

##### b. 2 students in Middle School

- i. One more case would put us into Cohort Outbreak Status

##### c. We have 1 "presumed" positive case in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

- i. This student had a loss of taste and smell, so the Health Department is counting is as a positive case, but the parents are still getting the student tested

##### d. Due to this influx, we are conducting a deep clean

disinfection/sanitizing on Friday afternoon and the building will be off limits to staff this weekend to allow the disinfection to stay for at 48 hours

#### v. We found out today at 1:00 pm that we are a National Showcase School for Capturing Kids Hearts for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row!

1. Out of 1,000 schools, only 324 schools won the award

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## IV. Consent Agenda/Written Reports

- a. Department Reports
  - i. Curriculum & Testing
  - ii. Facilities & Security
  - iii. Marketing
  - iv. S.E.L. & Counseling
  - v. Enrollment
  - vi. Budget Monthly Reports

### b. Board Member Search Committee Update

- i. *Mr. Salt asked about the interview date for Board Candidates*
  1. *Proposed date is a Wednesday night, we asked if looking at a Saturday would be better*
  2. *Mrs. McClelland said that the Search Committee has decided to only interview the top 3 candidates so the interviews will not last as long as before*

### c. Policy JIC-R1

### d. Updated Uniform Policy JICAE-NSCA

## **I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR THE 04/14/2021 NSCA BOARD MEETING**

Motion to Approve: *Anthony Bachmann*  
 2<sup>nd</sup>: *Eric Davis*

### Roll Call:

Mr. Aaron Salt	Mr. Doug Downey	Mr. Eric Davis	Mr. Anthony Bachmann	Mrs. Michelle Ruehl
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Motion Action: *Passed*

### e. ASD 20 Contract Draft

### f. Meeting Minutes

## **I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR THE 04/14/2021 NSCA BOARD MEETING**

Motion to Approve: *Eric Davis*  
 2<sup>nd</sup>: *Anthony Bachmann*

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Roll Call:

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Motion Action: *Passed*

## V. Action

a. Approval of Resolution to Adopt Policy JIC-R1

### **I MOVE THAT WE APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT POLICY JIC-R1**

Motion to Approve: Eric Davis

2nd: Doug Downey

Roll Call:

Mr. Aaron Salt	Mr. Doug Downey	Mr. Eric Davis	Mr. Anthony Bachmann	Mrs. Michelle Ruehl
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Motion Action: *Passed*

*Mr. Salt left the meeting at 4:42 pm*

*Mrs. Ruehl joined the meeting at 4:39 pm*

## VI. Discussion

a. 2021-2022 Curiosity Science Presentation (**Ms. Berndsen**)

*Ms. Berndsen:*

*The Curriculum Alignment Committee gave me direction to move forward with this idea*

*This class would connect our Core Knowledge Curriculum and the Colorado Academic Standards*

*Each grade K-5 has the same 3 standards:*

- o Life Science*
- o Earth & Space Science*
- o Physical Science*

*Within our curriculum, there are skills and knowledge*

*The science curriculum would correlate with the knowledge portion of CKLA*

*Mrs. Reissig:*

*This would not take science out of the classroom; it would rather enhance what the students are learning*

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- ☺ There are currently 16 positions open for Spanish teachers around the city, so at this time we don't believe we would be able to hire a quality teacher for next year
- ☺ In order to purchase curriculum for science for grades K-2, it would cost around \$18,000
- ☺ This class would give us a savings of roughly \$14,000 which would be a great way to help our budget for curriculum next year

Mr. Downey:

- ☺ I think the proposal is outstanding, this could help a portion of students who are not meant for 2-year or 4-year schools, but those who might be better at skilled trades
- ☺ Would field trips be included?
  - Ms. Berndsen: Yes!
- ☺ Would this tie into the Science Fair?
  - Ms. Berndsen: Yes! I would love to collaborate with them on that.

## b. 2021-2022 Homeschool Program Presentation (**Mrs. Van Wieren, Mr. Dinnel, Mr. Zelasko**)

Mrs. Van Wieren:

- ☺ We have currently 22 students enrolled
- ☺ There are great reviews from parents and families
- ☺ In order to make the program available next year, we need to have 25 students

Mr. Dinnel:

- ☺ Offering unique programs for schools, as well as homeschool programs
- ☺ Met with Mark Hyatt to determine some of the programs
- ☺ Programs possibly offered:
  - Front Range Construction Academy
    - Partnered with Home Builders Association
    - This would be marketed/educated by my people
    - Cost would be \$3,300 per student (PPR would be roughly \$4,200 per student for homeschool enrollment)
    - This
  - Sports Management Program
    - Primarily focused on high school students
    - Exposure into coaching
    - Exposure in venues to see what it takes to coach in venues for events
  - Agribusiness and Equine Science
    - The standards are specific to the agriculture industry
    - How do things work, how does the world work?
    - Partners with area farms/dairy farms to expose kids on the functions of a farm and how to manage the animals
    - Partnered with the Pueblo Zoo, since this program is launching their in August
    - K-12 program
  - Alpine International Prep Academy
    - K-12 program

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- Outdoor education – NSCA would not have to house this program, it would be an off-site program

Mr. Downey:

- Could we have multiple programs offered?
  - Mr. Dinnel: Yes. I would like to promote the programs with one school and students can choose which track they would like to take

Mr. Dinnel:

- We would need 10-15 kids in each program before it would be a viable option

Mr. Bachmann left the meeting at 6:20 pm; joined virtually at 6:21 pm

c. BOD Meeting Date Changes for Remainder of 2020-2021 **(Mrs. McClelland)**

- Mrs. Ruehl cannot attend on April 28, 2021, but ok with meeting moving forward
- Mr. Bachmann is ok with the date changes
- Mr. Davis is ok with the date changes
- Mr. Downey might be absent on the April 28, 2021 meeting, possibly joining virtually

d. 2021-2022 Proposed Budget Discussion **(Mrs. Hilborn, Mrs. McClelland)**

Mrs. McClelland:

- Our enrollment numbers have changes
- Staffing has changed
- Our PPR number is still not accurate since there is nothing official from the state

VII. Information

*(No information items at this meeting)*

VIII. Other Business not on the Agenda

- a. Executive Session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f) to discuss personnel matters and the evaluation of the Executive Director/Principal  
*Move this item to later date (either April 28<sup>th</sup> or May 12<sup>th</sup>, depending on Board availability)*

IX. Adjourn: 6:32 pm

**I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN THE 04/14/2021 NSCA BOARD MEETING**

Motion to Approve: *Eric Davis*

2<sup>nd</sup>: *Michelle Ruehl*

Roll Call:

Mr. Aaron Salt

Yes  
 No  
 Absent

Mr. Doug Downey

Yes  
 No  
 Absent

Mr. Eric Davis

Yes  
 No  
 Absent

Mr. Anthony Bachmann

Yes  
 No  
 Absent

Mrs. Michelle Ruehl

Yes  
 No  
 Absent

Motion Action: *Passed*