

MEETING MINUTES

IDAHO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION

August 13, 2020
304 N 8th St, Boise, Idaho
Zoom Meeting

This meeting was called to order by Chairman Reed at 9:00 a.m. The following Commissioners attended remotely:

Alan Reed
Brian Scigliano
Wanda Quinn
Nils Peterson
Kitty Kunz
Sherrilynn Bair
Julie VanOrden - absent

TAB A: COMMISSION WORK

1. Agenda Review/Approval

M/S (Peterson/Bair) Motion to approve the agenda as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

2. Minutes Review/Approval

M/S (Scigliano/Bair) Motion to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

M/S (Scigliano/Quinn) Motion to approve the July 16, 2020 minutes as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

TAB B: PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was not taken at this time. No written testimony received.

TAB C: DIRECTOR REPORT

1. PCSC Director, Jenn Thompson introduced the new Program Manager, Melissa Rivera.

2. Director Thompson gave an update on school re-opening plans. Guidance information is available on both the Idaho State Board of Education's website and the Idaho State Department of Education's website.

TAB D: CONSIDERATION OF NEW CHARTER SCHOOL PETITIONS

1. **Gem Prep Meridian South:** Director Thompson highlighted the Gem Prep Innovation history including the other Gem Prep Schools in the state.

Jason Bransford, Chief Executive Office with Gem Prep Innovation Schools spoke about the proposed school's mission, vision, and goals.

M/S (Kunz/Peterson) Motion to approve the Gem Prep Meridian South new charter school as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

2. **Alturas Preparatory Academy:** Director Thompson outlined the new charter school petition for Alturas Preparatory Academy, which will serves grades 6-12.

Jeff Carr, Chairman of the Board with Alturas International Academy and Alturas Preparatory Academy introduced the presenters with Alturas International Academy. Members of the school board and Michelle Ball, Executive Director of Alturas International Academy, spoke about the school's mission, goals and the demand for a high school.

M/S (Peterson/Bair) Motion to approve the Alturas Preparatory Academy (APA) new charter petition with the following condition: No later than May 11, 2021, APA must evidence a balanced budget for FY22, supported by post-lottery enrollment numbers and documentation of secured loans or grants. *The motion passed unanimously.*

TAB E: CONSIDERATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL AMENDMENT

1. Director Thompson provided a recap of Alturas International Academy's (AIA) proposed amendment to their charter. AIA would cease to serve students in grades 6-8 at the end of the current school year, as they will be served by Alturas Preparatory Academy.

M/S (Bair/Scigliano) Motion to approve the AIA amendment as written. *The motion passed unanimously.*

TAB F: PROPOSED PCSC POLICY CHANGES

1. Director Thompson provided a summary of the proposed PCSC policy changes. The proposed changes were posted on the PCSC website in June 2020 and stakeholder feedback was collected.

M/S (Kunz/Peterson) Motion to adopt the changes to PCSC policy as presented including the changes made as noted. *The motion passed unanimously.*

TAB G: CONSIDERATION OF PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK REVISIONS

1. Director Thompson provided a summary of the proposed revisions to the academic sections of the Performance Framework. She highlighted the changes proposed concerning alternative schools. The proposed changes are available on the PCSC website. Stakeholder feedback was collected.

M/S (Peterson/Kunz) Motion to approve the proposed changes to the academic section of the Performance Framework as presented. *The motion passed unanimously.*

2. Director Thompson explained the proposed revisions to the operational and financial sections to the Performance Framework. Stakeholder feedback is encouraged.

The proposed changes will be available on our website. The changes will be voted on during the October PCSC meeting.

M/S (Bair/Quinn) A motion to adjourn. *The motion passed unanimously.*

The meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m.

These meeting minutes were approved by the PCSC on October, 8, 2020.

Meeting minutes approval verified by: Jenn Thompson

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