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Stargate School

Minutes

Governance Board Business Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday April 14, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Location
Meeting will be held in person in the Secondary Commons and virtually.

Zoom Info: Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/83148823532?pwd=qLJr9OMQdsLBsjht95dyr3CcdC5G4M.1
Meeting ID: 831 4882 3532
Passcode: eagles

Directors Present
H. Sonnenahalli, L. Challa, L. Paquette, L. Steele, M. Faulkner, S. Howorko

Directors Absent
K. Lindgren

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Paquette called a meeting of the board of directors of Stargate School to order on Tuesday Apr 14, 2026 at 7:03 PM.

B. Roll Call

C.

Reading of Stargate Mission

D. Recognitions and Appreciations

SH - Finance team for all of their work on how to use excess funds and HMFA program planning
LC - SAC doing a lot of work the last two months on finding a new survey tool
LP - Staff who are running testing

II. Approve Consent Agenda Items

A. Approve Consent Agenda

L. Paquette made a motion to Approve the agenda for the April 14th 2026 meeting as discussed.
S. Howorko seconded the motion.
Add discussion on Independent Member and vote for new secretary due to resignation of K. Lindgren.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Approve Minutes from March 17, 2026 Business Meeting

L. Paquette made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Board Business Meeting on 03-17-26.
L. Challa seconded the motion.
Samantha abstained due to leaving prior meeting early.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. School Operations

A. Finance Quarterly Reporting

See attached report.

B. Executive Director Report

See attached report.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Written Committee Reports

B. Recruiting Committee - Board Election Progress

Two applicants with background checks complete, more communications are scheduled to go out.

C. Election Committee - Board Election Plan, Simply Voting Funding (if needed)

Election committee is prepared for upcoming election.
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V. Action Items (Discuss and/or Vote)

A. Review Board Self-Evaluation

Board went over the results of our Self-Evaluation and discussed bringing forward at the strategic plan.

B. Approve funds for Simply Voting

This was previously approved.

C. Renew Board On Track Contract

L. Paquette made a motion to Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Board On Track renewal contract as discussed.
L. Challa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Volunteerism

Board discussed high level what we want to see for a future discussion, largely focused on data that we have and go-forward plans for increasing volunteerism.

E. Ongoing Monitoring of Key Board Responsibilities

Independent - On hold until after parent director, but all Board members will reach out to network in interim.

Secretary - Vote
Lindsey makes a motion to appoint Lauren as secretary for the remainder of the school year. Lumakar second. Unanimously pass.

Lindsey made a motion to approve up to $500,000 for staff bonuses for the FY25-26 school year contingent on finance committee approval, Lumakar second. Passed unanimously.

VI. Future Planning

A. Next Board Meeting Agenda and Board Packet

Discussed items to be included on the May agenda, future trainings and working sessions. Board will have a working session around the admissions policy prior to our May meeting and Board will have a finance training/overview prior to our June meeting. Volunteerism working session will be scheduled over the summer.

B.

Next Admin Sync Meeting

Admin sync scheduled for April 27th at 8:30am with Lindsey and Harri.

C. Upcoming Events

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

L. Paquette made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:46pm.
L. Challa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Howorko