

# Sarasota Academy of the Arts

## Board Meeting Minutes

February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Location: Sarasota Academy of the Arts

Board members present:

- Dan Kennedy
- Joe Solano
- Robert Mclain Jr.
- Stephanie Murphy
- Kaisen Mitchell via Telephone
- Dan Dembicki
- Kyle Turoff
- Coy Carter

Others present:

- Cheryl Korwin
- Brett Thomason
- Jodi Kopacz
- Adam Swilley
- Jerome Pascuzzi
- Julie McHugh
- Matt McHugh

Board members absent

- None

- Meeting Called to Order 8:00 AM
- Minutes from the 01/15/2019 meeting were approved
- Confirmation of Arts Electives / Specials
  - Motion for the director of the arts to determine duration of class time and structure of the arts electives – Approved.
- Principals Report - Unanimously approved
  - Saturday school is going well
  - Spirit week and jog-a-thon coming up
  - Applebee's fundraiser on Saturday
  - Kristie and Brett attended FETC conference
  - Testing calendar is out for May
  - Odyssey of the mind on 3/2/2019
  - Career day was a great success
  - Discussed staff retention
  - Enrollment – 53% on free or reduced lunch, 45% have some form of accommodations

- 70% of the middle school is new to the school that have academic or behavior issues, discussed the influx of new students having an effect on the existing student population
- Financial Report
  - Building Hope is in the process of transitioning into their role as the schools accounting firm
- Property
  - Existing vacant property owned by SAA listing to sell
- Growth and Location
  - May not need a 5 year lease for capital funding, just for major repairs when the lease is less than 5 years
  - Building committee needs to be very active for a maximum of 3 year timeframe
- Matt will investigate any issues with the timing of the retirement contributions and joining the pension plan
- Meeting adjourned at 8:58 AM

*Minutes submitted by Joe Solano*

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