Minutes of the York Adams Academy

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom online meeting.

Mrs. Ellen Freireich called the meeting to order.

I. Attendance

Board Members Present:

Dallastown - Mrs. Sue Heistand
Northeastern - Mr. Michael Redding
Red Lion - Mr. Jay Vasellas
Spring Grove - Mrs. Karen Baum
York Suburban - Mrs. Ellen Freireich

Board Members Not in Attendance:

Central York - Mrs. Veronica Gemma

Dover - Mr. Terry Emig
Eastern York - Mr. Richard Zepp
West York - Mr. Donald Carl

Also in Attendance:

Dr. Michael Snell – Superintendent of Record

Mr. Christopher Fultz – Director

Mr. Brent Kessler – Business Manager

Ms. Jill Kling - Coordinator of Student Services

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: August Minutes stand as accepted by the Board.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **A.** November and December Board Meeting Dates the Board discussed changing the date of the November meeting (November 24, 2020) and moving it to December 15. All were in favor and Dr. Snell will contact Board members that are absent and let them know of the change.
- **B.** School Operations Mr. Fultz and Dr. Snell shared an update on the current state of the program from students attending virtually and provided the recommendation to bring students back to in person starting October 13, 2020. All were in favor.
- **C.** Personnel Update Mr. Fultz shared an update regarding the open positions.

- D. YAA Policy Review Dr. Snell shared a proposal from Stock & Leader Law Firm to review and update all necessary policies for YAA. Dr. Snell said he is working with the Superintendent of Record for the Lancaster Academy and they also need policies and we will likely work together and share the bill. Dr. Snell will come back to the Board to provide a recommendation on needed policies and next steps.
- **E.** 2021-2022 Budget Calendar Timeline Mr. Kessler and Mr. Fultz shared the proposed timeline to complete and present the budget for next year.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- **A.** Approval of Treasurer's Report for August 2020: Ms. Heistand made a motion and Ms. Baum seconded to approve the report. All were in favor, motion passed.
- **B.** Approval of Bills for August: Ms. Heistand made a motion and Ms. Baum seconded to approve the list of bills. All were in favor, motion passed.
- **C.** Approve the hiring of Melanie Meakin, full-time administrative assistant to the Director, 7.5 hours per day, \$19.00 per hour, pending receipt of all clearances. Mr. Fultz confirmed that as of this morning 09-29-20 all clearances are received and her effective date will be September 30, 2020. Ms. Heistand made a motion and Mr. Vasellas seconded to approve Melanie Meakin. All were in favor, motion passed.
- **D.** Approve the hiring of Darlene Bidoli, Math Teacher, 4 hours per week, \$36.38 per hour, already on YAA substitute list, effective September 30, 2020. Ms. Heistand made a motion and Ms. Baum seconded to approve Darlene Bidoli. All were in favor, motion passed.

V. COORDINATOR OF STUDENT SERVICES' REPORT

Ms. Kling shared additional information on being ready to welcome students back on October 13th.

VI. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Enrollment Report- Mr. Fultz provided an enrollment update, discussed projections based on current applications in process and talked about how they are working with member school's guidance offices during this pandemic time. Mr. Fultz shared additional numbers of students being tested for entrance and that there are 3 students ready for graduation.

VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Ms. Freireich provided some updates regarding the building status by the York Learning Center that is owned and operated by the LIU #12.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT OF RECORD'S REPORT

A. Dr. Snell started a conversation regarding the future of YAA program, options, things to consider and next steps for additional discussion and feedback from other Superintendents. The Board had good questions and discussion regarding the future of the program. We will continue to discuss next month and as part of the budget process.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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With unanimous consent, the York Adams Academy Joint Authority Committee adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

The next YAA Joint Authority Committee meeting is at 7:00 p.m. October 27, 2020 via Zoom.

Brent A. Kessler, Board Secretary, York Adams Academy