

ADVANTAGE ACADEMY OF HILLSBOROUGH, INC.
d/b/a Advantage Academy of Hillsborough d/b/a Bell Creek Academy
d/b/a Bell Creek Academy High School d/b/a Channelside Academy of Math and Science d/b/a
Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science
d/b/a Independence Academy
d/b/a Orange County Preparatory Academy d/b/a Riverview Academy of Math and Science
d/b/a Riverview Academy High School (opening August 2023)
d/b/a Sunlake Academy of Math and Science d/b/a Valrico Lake Advantage Academy
d/b/a Big Bend Academy of Math and Science (opening August 2023)

Board Meeting

1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 19, 2022

Location: Sunlake Academy of Math and Science 18681 Dale Mabry HWY Lutz, FL 33548;

Present at Meeting

Patricia Rogers, Chairman
Charles Harris, Vice-Chairman
Jennifer Dean, Board Member
Detria Elsner, Board Member
Keith Miller, Principal
Dr. Margaret Fahringer, Principal
Brittany Deen, Principal
Jack Burkett, Principal
Teresita Nieves, Principal
Dr. Judy Moore, Principal
Lauren Herbert, Principal
Christina Fuentes, Principal
Christopher Bertha, Principal
Leslie Bennett
Melissa Dailey
Hallie Prokaski
Rachel Roetter
Shaun Moore
Brian Strader, Charter School Associates
Michael Strader, Charter School Associates

Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m. by Patricia Rogers.

A. Opening Exercises

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Rogers asked the board to review the meeting minutes from the last governing board meeting (February 23, 2022) and to approve or amend as needed. Ms. Dean motioned approval, Ms. Elsner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

C. Principal's Report

Principals from each school provided a report on recent school activities, enrollment, staffing, and highlights since the previous meeting

D. Information Items

1. Finance Reports, FY 22 – January, February, March- Mr. Strader presented information on finance reports (January, February, March – FY 22) as provided to the board.
2. FY 21 AAH, Inc IRS Form 990- The board reviewed the FY21 990 as prepared by the schools’ auditor for ratification.
3. Arbitrage Rebate Analyst Engagement- Brian Strader presented for the board’s consideration a rebate analyst agreement with Integrity Public Finance to complete required analysis of bond financing.
4. AAH Interagency Agreement with AAM (food service)- Brian Strader presented an updated interagency agreement between school food sites and the Sponsor for the National School Lunch Program.
5. Compliance Reporting, DAC Bond- The governing board reviewed bond compliance reporting.
6. 2022-2023 Mental Health Opt-Out Plan- The board reviewed the opt- out document for mental health plans and adopted the 22-23 Mental Health Plan.
7. 2022-2023 School Safety Officer Agreement(s)- The governing board reviewed the School Safety Officer Agreement with Hillsborough County Public Schools.
8. 2022-2023 School Calendars- The governing board reviewed the 22-23 school calendar. The calendar mirrors the school district calendar with the exception of early release dates.
9. SAMS Charter Contract First Amendment- The governing board reviewed the contract amendment for SAMS to increase the term to 15 years for high performing status.
10. FY 22 Audit Engagement Letter(s)- Board members reviewed FY22 audit engagement letters from the school’s auditor, King and Walker.
11. FY 23 Budget Development- Brian Strader presented the FY23 budget and advised some elements were still in development.
12. FY 23 Employee Benefits- Brian Strader presented the board with employee benefit plans for 22-23 under the MEWA AAH participates in.
13. Teacher Certification Waivers, Exhibit A
14. Teacher Extensions, Exhibit B
15. RAMS, Ph. 2 Updated Lease Revisions- Mr. Strader discussed ongoing lease negotiations on behalf of the board concerning the construction of Phase 2 at RAMS. Mr. Strader requested the board authorize CSA to continue negotiation on behalf of the board and to authorize the chair execute an amendment upon negotiation conclusion, following the board attorney’s review.
16. Big Bend Update- Mr. Strader advised the board that BBAMS would be temporarily co-located with RAMS.
17. ESP Agreements, RAMS HS and Big Bend- Items were moved to board discussion.
18. Other

A. Consent Items

1. Approve FY 22 Finance Reports; January 2022; February 2022; March 2022
2. Ratify FY 21 AAH, Inc IRS Form 990
3. Approve Arbitrage Rebate Analyst Engagement
4. Ratify AAH Interagency Agreement with AAM (food service)
5. Ratify Compliance Reporting, DAC Bond

6. Ratify 2022-2023 Mental Health Opt-Out Plan
7. Ratify 2022-2023 School Safety Officer Agreement(s)
8. Approve 2022-2023 School Calendars
9. Ratify SAMS Charter Contract First Amendment
10. Ratify FY 22 Audit Engagement Letter(s)
11. Approve FY 23 Budget Development
12. Approve FY 23 Employee Benefits
13. Ratify Certificate for Closure of Project Fund
14. Approval of Purchase Orders and Agreements, (Since Last Meeting)
15. Approve Teacher Certification Waivers, Exhibit A
16. Approve Teacher Extensions, Exhibit B
17. Approve dual enrollment agreement for RAHS and Hillsborough Community College.

Mrs. Rogers asked for a motion to approve items 1-17 on consent agenda. Ms. Dean moved to approve items 1-17 and Ms. Elsner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Board Discussion and Action

ESP Agreements, RAMS HS and Big Bend- The governing board reviewed the proposed management agreements between CSA and RAHS and BBAMS. Mrs. Rogers asked for a motion to approve the agreements. Ms. Elsner moved to approve the proposed management agreement and Ms. Elsner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

G. Board Report(s)

1. None

H. Adjourn

1. Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

The undersigned hereby certifies that she is Chairman of Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation and the individual charter schools sponsored by said corporation.

The board meeting minutes of the Corporation for May 19th, 2022 were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on October 7th, 2022 where the meeting minutes were adopted and approved.

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By: 

Patricia Rogers, Chairman