

American Classical Schools of Idaho (ACSI) Board of Trustees

500 SW 3rd St., Fruitland, Idaho 83619

MEETING MINUTES

Date: Dec 13, 2023

Scheduled Start Time: 7:00 p.m.

Actual Start Time: 7:01 p.m.

1. **Call to Order** by Board Chair, Mr. Lasnick.
2. **Roll Call of Board** by Secretary, Mr. Bassetti. The following Board members were present: Mrs. Saylor, Mr. Lasnick, Mrs. David, Mr. Ryan and Mr. Bassetti, thus establishing a quorum. Other attendees included Mr. Seely, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Petersen, Mr. Ford, Mr. Lambert, Dr. Kane and Dr. Francom.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Action Item:** Adopt Amended Agenda 12.13.23.
 - 4.1. An amended agenda was presented to incorporate a new resolution meant to address errors in the IHFA loan documents. Mr. Lasnick moved to adopt the amended agenda which was seconded by Mrs. Saylor and approved by unanimous consent.
5. **Consent Agenda (Action Item)**
 - 5.1. Adopt 11.18.23 meeting minutes. Mr. Lasnick moved to adopt the 11.18.23 meeting minutes agenda which were seconded by Mrs. David and approved by unanimous consent.
6. **Public Comment**
 - 6.1. **Open Public Comment:** No public comments were received prior to board meeting.
7. **Guest Discourse**
 - 7.1. **Open Guest Discourse:** No guest discourse occurred.
8. **Review of Authorizer Unique Correspondence**
 - 8.1. **NICA Petition Authorization Report:** Dr. Francom discussed feedback on the petition evaluation report, specifically the item related to the loan contingency in the finance/facilities section which required approval of financing prior to granting of a charter. It is hoped this item will be resolved by the IPCSC in a manner similar to INCA where a conditional charter was granted in order to secure funding.
9. **Reports**
 - 9.1. **Finance Oversight Committee:** Mrs. Saylor indicated the P&L statement provided by BLUUM will be reviewed during the January 2024 meeting.
 - 9.2. **Governance Committee:** Mr. Bassetti indicated updated bylaws, having gone through a multi-stage review process, were available for a first reading along with a supplementary document illustrating specific changes between the two versions of the bylaws. These are all available on the shared drive and are expected to be reviewed in January.
 - 9.3. **ACSI Executive Director Report:** Mr. Lambert indicated the recent P&Z meeting in Fruitland did not result in a conditional use permit with members neither voting for or against, further delaying progress on a facility for TVCA. The likelihood for a definitive decision was delayed until January 2024. He also discussed recent donations, new ACSI employees and start dates and highlighted outreach efforts.
 - 9.4. **Idaho Novus Classical Academy Report:** Dr. Kane provided an update on INCA facility construction, indicating the presence of wood framing of the building. He also discussed current enrollment applications, the enrollment window and the progress of faculty hiring.
 - 9.5. **North Idaho Classical Academy Report:** Dr. Francom reviewed the pre-operational dashboard for NICA which indicated current enrollment stood at 493 students. He also indicated that the conditional use

permit was approved but separate dialogue with the DEQ indicated concerns remained but was confident they would be addressed.

9.6. Valor Classical Academy ACSI Candidate Report: Mrs. Young indicated pace of enrollment slowed, likely due to change in interest resulting from school location change.

9.7. Minidoka – Cassia Classical Academy ACSI Candidate Report: Mrs. Peterson provided a review of outreach efforts as well as an introduction to a potential principal candidate.

10. Unfinished Business

11. New Business

11.1. Approve IHFA RLF Resolution (Action Item): Mr. Ford provided an overview of structure and purpose of IHFA loan. After responding to questions, a motion to approve resolution as written providing authority to Atty. Yorgason to make any immaterial changes was made by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Bassetti. A roll call vote was conducted by Mr. Bassetti. All board members voted in favor and the motion to approve the resolution carried.

11.2. Governance Committee Chair (Action Item): Mr. Lasnick made a motion to appoint Mrs. David to the Governance Committee as chair which was seconded by Mrs. Saylor. The motion carried with unanimous consent.

11.3. CapEd Account (Action Item): Mr. Lambert cited relevant needs for a separate ACSI bank account including the receipt of donations, among other needs, unrelated to a singular school. Discussion included the need for two signatories as well as an assurance that the account would be a high-yield account. A motion was made by Mrs. Saylor to open an account with CapEd Credit Union which was seconded by Mr. Bassetti. The motion carried with unanimous consent.

11.4. Confirm INCA Founder Status: Names of eight founders were discussed along with their contributions. The legal precedent and relevant statute were also discussed. It was agreed that the name of the founders would be provided in a format similar to those documented for TVCA. A motion was made by Mrs. Saylor to approve the following founders: Mr. David, Mrs. David, Mr. Bassetti, Mrs. Hoagland, Mrs. Itterly, Mr. Titmus, Mr. Blakely, Mr. Hodge. The motion was seconded by Mrs. David and carried with unanimous consent.

11.5. Officer Elections: Mr. Lasnick discussed changing officer elections from December until June and all current officers agreed to stay in their positions until June. A motion was made by Mr. Bassetti to conduct officer elections annually in June as well as extend current officer positions until June 2024. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Saylor and was approved with unanimous consent. Board members also agree that an in-person annual meeting is preferable.

11.6. ACSI Overview Document: Mr. Lambert provided an update on the ACSI Overview Document and solicited feedback on this “living” document.

11.7. Founder Status New ACSI Schools: Mr. Lambert and board discussed criteria for achieving founder status for new ACSI schools and determined a motion in an upcoming board meeting would be needed to codify the definition of a “founder” with language similar to the last paragraph on ACSI Overview Document. It was also suggested that future founding groups would not form their own boards.

12. Ongoing Board Development and Self-Assessment

12.1. Mrs. David postponed the board development until January, 2024.

13. Adjournment

13.1. Having completed the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 P.M.



John Bassetti, ACSI Board Secretary