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Wednesday March 16, 2022 Agenda & Minutes

Hybrid Meeting 4:15 pm

Google Meet joining info: Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ifd-brda-wwt>

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I. Board Meeting Welcome

Mary

Present: Debbie Eckert, Steven Foxley, Mary Glauser, Larry Hintze, Walker Kennedy

Excused: Erik Bengtzen, Nathan Seim, Kelle Smart, Taylor Woodbury, Ram Prasad Boppana

Officers Present: Sonia Woodbury

II. Public Comment – None

III. Minutes – [February](#)

Sonia

Debbie moved to approve February minutes as written, Walker seconded, and all were in favor.

IV. Approval of new Optional Masking policy

Sonia, Debbie

- [Request](#) for changes to the current masking policy at school

Debbie and Sonia reviewed the Leadership Team's proposal for changing the masking requirements for City Academy. The Board discussed the data and input presented from Faculty, Advisory Council and Student Council. The Board agreed with the proposal to no longer strongly encourage mask wearing at school but wanted to also include language of mutual respect for individual choices in terms of wearing masks at school. The Board reminded us that teachers could request mask wearing in their classroom, but we cannot require it. The Board revised the proposed policy to read:

Consistent with current advice from the CDC, we are removing our strong recommendation for masking in our school community. However, individuals at high risk for severe illness should consult with their healthcare provider for masking recommendations.

The school will have KN95, N95, or KF94 masks available every day to any students, faculty, and staff for their personal protection needs. City Academy is still very concerned to maintain our caring inclusive community and personal masking decisions will be respected in the school.

If CDC recommendations change due to changes in our local risk level, we may again strongly recommend masks.

Steven moved to approve Masking Policy as amended, Larry seconded, and all were in favor.

V. Director Updates

Sonia

- Senior Felix Keil won 2nd place in the senior division of the Utah Science & Engineering Fair for Civil and Environmental Engineering, and he also won the NASA Earth System Science Award for his project, Colonizing The Arctic: Our Last Great Hope.
- Open Houses & 2023 enrollment report
- Review of grade levels offered at district & charter [potential feeder schools](#)



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Sonia reported that enrollment for SY2023 is coming in but slowly. There was somewhat better attendance at the Saturday morning open house March 5 than there had been in the previous evening events, but it was still very low. Sonia attended a parent open house at Gifted Music School and had good response from those parents in attendance. We are also working through social media and personal connections as possible to reach all the elementary and middle schools on the potential feeder schools list.

- Pickleball update - [Sponsorship](#)

Tournament plans are under way. We were not able to secure a lead sponsor but sponsorships and donations at different levels are coming in. Thank you to Board members who have already donated.

- Board Speaker for Graduation, Thursday June 2, 6:00 pm

Walker will be able to do this and any other Board members that are available are encouraged to attend and should let Sonia know that they can attend.

VI. Chair Updates

Walker

Walker wanted the faculty to know, on behalf of the Board, that their work through this trying time of the pandemic is appreciated.

VII. Close

Walker

Larry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Debbie seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:00.

DATED the 16th day of March 2022 CITY ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By: Sonia Woodbury

APPROVED the 20th day of April 2022 CITY ACADEMY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Upcoming 3rd Wednesday Board Meetings

April 20, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
May 18, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
June 15, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
July 20, 2022	TBA	Board Meeting
August 17, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting
September 21, 2022	4:00 – 5:45	Faculty Tea & Board Meeting
October 19, 2022	4:15 – 5:45	Board Meeting

Upcoming Special Dates & Special Events

- Spring Break March 28 – April 1
- Science Olympiad State Competition Saturday April 9 in Cedar City
- Service Learning & Arts Exhibition Thursday April 21, 4:00-5:30 pm
- Graduation Thursday June 2, 6:00-7:00 pm at the Thomas S Monson Center, 411 E S Temple