



## INSPIRE BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 19, 2010  
6:00 p.m. MT

Held at the following location (and via teleconference):  
600 N. Steelhead Way, Suite 164  
Boise, ID 83704

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

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### BOARD AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – M. Cahill
- II. Roll Call – M. Cahill
- III. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the school principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

- IV. Routine Business
  - a. Approval of Agenda – M. Cahill
- V. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel Matter
  - a. Idaho Code §67-2345 (1) (b) – to consider the evaluation, dismissal or disciplining of an employee (to follow) – E. Grier/J. Stout
  - b. Idaho Code §67-2345 (1) (f) – to communicate with legal counsel to discuss pending litigation or controversies imminently likely to be litigated – E. Eberharter-Maki
- VI. Oral Reports
  - a. Superintendent's Report (MSR attached) – J. Stout
    - i. Student Retention Efforts
    - ii. Graduation Update

- iii. National Honor and National Junior Honor Society Acceptance
    - iv. Independent Study
    - v. Public Records Request (attached)
    - vi. Parent Satisfaction Survey
  - b. Financial Report (attached) – J. Marhefka
  
- VII. Consent Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes from the November 17, 2009 Meeting (attached)
  - b. Ratification of Payment of Blue Cross Blue Shield Invoice(s) (attached)
  - c. Approval of School Invoice(s) (to follow)
  - d. Approval of Legal Invoice (attached)
  - e. Approval of Staffing Report (to follow)
  - f. Approval of the 2010-2011 School Year General School Handbook (attached)
  - g. Approval of the 2010-2011 School Year State Specific School Handbook (attached)
  - h. Approval of Superintendent Signing an Memorandum of Understanding for Funding Source (attached)
  - i. Approval of Revision to Board Calendar
  
- VIII. Action Items
  - a. Ratification of CA Invoice for November (attached) – A. Gregory
  - b. Approval of CA Invoice for December (attached) – A. Gregory
  - c. Approval of Funded Enrollment Target – J. Marhefka
  - d. Approval of Opening Enrollment for the 2010-2011 School Year – J. Marhefka
  - e. Approval of the Title I School-Parent Compact (attached) – K. Cochran
  
- IX. Information Items
  - a. Dissemination Grant Update – M. Revenaugh
  - b. Legislative Update – M. Revenaugh
  - c. Policy Manual Implementation – M. Wrisley
  - d. EMO Evaluation (attached) – M. Wrisley
  - e. Upcoming LiveLesson® Session Schedule – M. Wrisley
  
- X. Adjournment and Meeting Date – Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. MT.

## CONSENT ITEMS

The Chair will ask members what items, if any, they want removed from the consent agenda for discussion. If any member asks that an item be moved, it will be moved to the Action Items. After any items have been removed, the Chair will read out the remaining consent items and ask for their adoption in one motion if there is no objection. The minutes will reflect the full text of any resolutions that were adopted as part of the consent agenda.

**a. Approval of Minutes from the November 17, 2009 Meeting**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Megann Wrisley

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** The minutes from the meeting of the Board of Directors are being presented for approval.

**b. Ratification of Payment of Blue Cross Blue Shield Invoice(s)**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Janet Stout

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Included in the packet are the invoice(s) for services provided to the school from Blue Cross Blue Shield. Payment has been made in a timely manner and the school is requesting ratification of said payment be approved.

**c. Approval of School Invoice(s)**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Janet Stout

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Included in the packet is an invoice(s) for services provided to the school. Board approval and payment thereof is requested.

**d. Approval of Legal Invoice**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Megann Wrisley

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Included in the packet is an invoice for legal services provided to the school. Board approval of this invoice and payment thereof is requested.

**e. Approval of Staffing Report**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Janet Stout

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** The staffing report as provided with the Board materials outlines the candidates that are recommended for hire. The staffing report includes each candidate's name, area for hire, compensation rate, bonus potential and start date. The Staffing Report also provides information on departing employees, the reasons for their departure, as well as any promotions, for Board review and approval.

**f. Approval of the 2010-2011 School Year General School Handbook**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Janet Stout

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Each year the Board is required to review and approve the General School Handbook. The redlined version of the General School Handbook outlines the changes made to the document since the Board approved the previous version last year. Last year's version had also been approved by all of CA partnering Boards. This version has been reviewed by the Board designee, school leader, and CA. In order to make sure the school is ready in time for the commencement of enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year, we are bringing the final version to the Board for formal approval at this meeting.

**g. Approval of the 2010-2011 School Year State Specific School Handbook**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Janet Stout**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval**

**BACKGROUND:** Each year the Board is required to review and approve the State Specific School Handbook that sets out any state specific school policies that supplement the General School Handbook. The memo attached to the State Specific Handbook outlines all changes made to the document since the Board approved the previous version. The State Specific Handbook has been reviewed by the Board designee, school Principal/Director and CA staff. In order to make sure we are ready in time for the commencement of enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year, we are bringing the final version to the Board for formal approval.

**h. Ratification of Superintendent Signing an Memorandum of Understanding for Funding Source**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Janet Stout**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval**

**BACKGROUND:** The school has identified a funding source available and the Board is requesting to ratify entering into a memorandum of understanding to establish the school's intent to seek the funding source.

**i. Approval of Revision to Board Calendar**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Megann Wrisley**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval**

**BACKGROUND:** As there are no specific business items to be approved in the month of February, Board approval is requested to remove the February meeting from the Board schedule.

**Motion:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Second:**\_\_\_\_\_  
**Ayes:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Nays:**\_\_\_\_\_

## ACTION ITEMS

**a. Ratification of CA Invoice for November**

**PRESENTER:** Anne Gregory

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Ms. Gregory will review the ratification of the invoice as payment has been made to Connections Academy in accordance with the Board of Directors' prior approval and direction concerning the advancing of funds for payment of CA invoice by the Treasurer. Ms. Gregory will review the support for payment of the invoice. Ratification of this payment is being requested.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Approval of CA Invoice for December**

**PRESENTER:** Anne Gregory

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Ms. Gregory will review the invoice that is derived from the financial report that was provided earlier in the meeting and seek Board approval thereof.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**c. Approval of Funded Enrollment Target**

**PRESENTER:** Janet Marhefka

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Based on the 2009-2010 projected enrollment of approximately 430 students, which represents a growth of 80 students from the 2008-2009 school year, Ms. Marhefka will review the proposed funded enrollment target of 500 students for the 2010-2011 school year with the Board and seek Board direction and approval for a target. Much of the 2010-2011 planning will be based on this funded enrollment target established by the Board.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**d. Approval for Opening Enrollment for the 2010-2011 School Year**

**PRESENTER:** Janet Marhefka

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** The school is requesting Board approval to begin enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year effective April 1, 2010. Board approval of the opening enrollment date is requested.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**e. Approval of the Title I School-Parent Compact**

**PRESENTER:** Kris Cochran

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Each school receiving funder under Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) must develop a written school-parent compact jointly with parents for all children participating in Title I, Part A activities, services and programs. That compact is part of the school's written parental involvement policy developed by the school and parents under section 1118(b) of the ESEA. The compact must outline how parents, the entire school staff and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the state's high standards. Board approval of the School-Parent Compact is requested.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_