

IDAHO CONNECTS ONLINE SCHOOL
Governing Board Meeting Minutes APPROVED

Thursday, September 26th, 2024, 10:00 AM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Please join our meeting at

4483 Dresden Place, Suite 101, Garden City, ID 83714

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TIME	TOPIC	TYPE	PRESENTER	NOTES
10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to Order • Roll Call • Approval of Agenda • Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes 	Action	Board Chair	<p>Chairman High called the meeting to order at 10:00. Trustee Reading and Trustee Robinson were present. HOS Vickie McCullough was present as well.</p> <p>Trustee Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Reading offered a second. Motion passed.</p> <p>Trustee Reading made a motion to approve the prior meeting minutes from June 5th 2024. Trustee Robinson offered a second. Motion passed.</p>
10:05	Public Comment	Discussion	Board Chair	No members of the public were present.
10:08	Head of School Update	Discussion	HOS Vickie McCullough	<p>HOS began by discussing that the school was in there fourth week of schooling. Student enrollment was about 335 and all staff and students were working through the first 30 days goals which consisted of a two-way communication between all teachers and students along with parent welcome letters to provide transparency and support to the course content and teacher. The HOS also talked about the new initiatives of the academic integrity units and the mastery-based understandings within the courses. Teachers will have a chance to gather and talk about what they see for strength and improvements later this fall.</p>
10:30	<p>Strategic Planning Key Questions for consideration:</p> <p><i>What does ICON do best? or well? What comes to mind when other people think of ICON?</i></p> <p><i>What have we learned from our prior years that</i></p>	Discussion	HOS Vickie McCullough Board Chair	<p>The HOS discussed recent conversations with the IPCSC about how best to measure alternative schools and how to examine other metrics outside of what is required in code. Discussion of using the accreditation score and an overall credit attempted vs. credits earned may be a better measurement to get a true indicator of schools. HOS shared that the metrics should be something that included frameworks for public, charter, online, and alternative school metrics. The HOS then shared that the SDE has also dropped the</p>

	<p><i>can inform our next steps? Where have we succeeded? Where have we fallen short?</i></p> <p><i>What are areas for potential growth?</i></p> <p><i>What are the recent shifts in the state and how do those shifts shape or affect our future?</i></p>			<p>proficiency requirements for graduation , math, and ELA to make achievable goals that combat learning loss. These new goals do not necessarily assist ICON with their metrics because we have such a small sample size that are data is always masked.</p> <p>HOS shared with the board the need to begin to plan and prepare for our next five years looking to the landscape of education and what is occurring around us. Chairman High talked about the potential of the school voucher program and what that could mean for ICON if the measure is passed. There is a concern about what monies will be diverted from the public-school budget and how the voucher system will work for the public schools of choice such as ICON. Chairman High will continue to stay abreast of the voucher program and continue to keep the board educated about the potential impacts this could bring. While we do not know what the voucher system holds, we do not have ICON can continue to find ways to be strong, become stronger, and offer the kind of alternative experience that we are. Trustee Robinson encouraged us to think about how we promote who we really are and how we can bring that information to light. There was a suggestion that the board may want to look at marketing monies to talk about how ICON is and who the ICON student is. The board suggested that we continue to keep conversations going as meet each month.</p>
10:45	Executive Session Pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1) (b)	Discussion	Board Chair	<p>Chairman High asked the board to enter into executive session Pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1) (b). Trustee Reading provided the motion with a second by Trustee Robinson. The IVEP board entered into executive session at 10:45 AM MST.</p> <p>The IVEP board returned from executive session at 11:00 AM MST. Trustee Robinson made a motion to aware the HOS a \$20,000.00 bonus from the remaining ESSER funds for the extra duties and work completed during the COVID pandemic. Trustee Reading provided the second and the motion passed.</p>
11:15	Meeting Adjourns	Action	Board Chair	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 with a motion by Trustee Robinson and a second by Trustee Reading. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.</p>