

American Classical Schools of Idaho (ACSI) Board of Trustees

Treasure Valley Classical Academy
500 SW 3rd St., Fruitland, Idaho 83619

MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 14, 2022

Time: 7:00 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. Bassetti, thus establishing a quorum. Mr. Ryan (Board member) was excused. Other attendees included Mr. Lambert, Dr. Kane and Mr. Kincade. No community members were present.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Consent Agenda (Action Items)** Mr. Lasnick inquired if the 12/14/22 consent agenda needed to be modified. Hearing none, a motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Bassetti and the consent agenda was adopted.
 - 4.1. **Adopt Board meeting agenda 12.14.22.**
 - 4.2. **Adopt Board meeting minutes 11.9.22.**
5. **Community Comments**
 - 5.1. **Open Community Comments:** No comments were received prior to board meeting.
6. **Reports:**
 - 6.1. **Executive Director Report:** Mr. Lambert provided an update on TVCA upper school expansion with property evaluation/acquisition efforts redirected to areas around and on the periphery of Fruitland as a result of significant unbudgeted costs associated with the Sekady buildout (i.e. increase in borrowing costs, sewer and utilities to service property). Informational outreach and updates on upper school status were included in the TVCA newsletter and a Q&A presentation for all families was held the auditorium. A separate update was also provided for the 9th grade students. Mr. Lambert reiterated the ACSI re-organizational efforts continue on the INCA conversion into an LLC and ACSI to a 501(c)3. However, ACSI re-organization remains a lesser priority to ensure efforts are focused on TVCA property evaluation/acquisition efforts. Legal guidance is sought throughout the ACSI re-organizing efforts. A recent meeting with the Mayor of Kuna indicated interest in the BCSI/classical model is strong in Kuna/South Meridian and a presentation of this model is anticipated in early January. Expansion of board involvement is discussed including creation of both finance and governance committees. Mrs. David suggested inclusion of Dr. Condra into future meetings to provide a TVCA Principal's report/dashboard. Guest attendee Mr. Kincade provided an update on what is provisionally being referred to as "North Idaho Classical Academy" with a potential enrollment zone spanning from Sandpoint to Porthill. A recently abandoned school may provide an option for North Idaho Classical Academy. Mr. Kincade indicated a large percentage of homeschooling families reside within the enrollment zone (total population approximately 60,000 people). A significant number of young and large families residing within the enrollment zone and recent publicity likely contributed to 182 intent-to-enroll signups within a two-week timeframe. Mr. Kincade indicated Fall 2024 is an ideal timeframe for opening.
 - 6.2. **INCA Principal Report:** Dr. Kane indicated 360 students were currently on the INCA intent-to-enroll list and turnout at the 12/3/22 event in Sweet had 15 attendees. Outreach in the near term will be redirected to Eagle and Emmett with tentative events at Eagle City Hall in January and February and at the Gem County Senior Center in March (exact dates TBD). Additionally, a late evening outreach event will be held exclusively over Zoom in an attempt to reach families not otherwise available for weekend

events (exact date TBD). Dr. Kane indicated an application for the Emmett Cherry Festival will be submitted. This event would require significant preparation and commitment from board members and founders. Work is also underway on a competitive grant application that could provide up to \$837,000 and would provide a significant buffer in our operating budget and assist with purchase of classroom supplies. An RFQ process for design-build firms interested in qualifying participate in construction of INCA's facility is underway with required public notification having already occurred.

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

8.1. Review INCA Charter Approval Notification: Mr. Lasnick indicated official notification of approval has been received and JKAFF acknowledged INCA's grant request. Additional funding streams are being explored including for coverage of pre-development costs, all of which become feasible after the CSP petition is approved.

8.2. Paradigm Professional Services Agreement (PSA): Mr. Lambert incorporated edits previously suggested by Board members into the Paradigm PSA. Additional items requiring clarification were discussed and consensus on Paradigm PSA was achieved. A motion was made by Mrs. Saylor and seconded by Mr. Bassetti to adopt the Paradigm PSA. The board unanimously voted in favor of the motion and the Paradigm PSA will subsequently be executed by Mr. Lasnick.

9. Adjournment: Having completed the agenda the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 P.M.



John Bassetti, ACSI Board Secretary