

AMES Board of Trustees

October 10, 2019

Called to Order: 5:18 p.m.

Attendees:

Board:

Richard Anthony

Julie Faure

Donald Saxon

Liz Taylor

Lisa Taylor-Swanson

Staff:

Brett Wilson

Hema Katoa

Nancy Carpenter

Richard Welch

Visitors:

Gary Bigelow

Vaughn Webster

Educational Excellence

1. Minutes of September 12, 2019 –

Motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2019 as written: Richard Anthony

2nd: Lisa Taylor-Swanson

Vote: Unanimously approved

2. PTISO Report – Lisa Taylor-Swanson reported that the PTISO has been working on their no fuss fundraiser. They raised \$700.00 during Parent/Teacher Conference.

They are trying to streamline the volunteer sign ups with several opportunities to help coming up. They are serving breakfast before the PSAT on October 16th, breakfast for the college app day on October 25th and the after school activity on November 15th before the AMES dance. The PTISO would also like to help in the Spring by reaching out to incoming Freshman parents to help with questions. They are also looking at alternative days for PTISO meeting to help have a better turn out.

3. Grievance Policy – 2nd Reading – The AMES Board will review this policy for a third reading in November, Brett Wilson made changes as suggested by Board members.

4. Concussion Policy – 2nd Reading - The AMES Board reviewed and saw no need for change. **Motion** to approve the Concussion Policy as written: Richard Anthony

2nd: Liz Taylor

Vote: Unanimously approved

5. Student Travel Policy – 2nd Reading - The AMES Board will review again due to the foreign travel rule. They would like the wording changed from never allowing foreign travel to the possibility of foreign travel depending on the circumstance.

6. Nepotism Policy – 2nd Reading - The AMES Board reviewed this policy and felt that current sisters working at AMES should be grandfathered in.

Motion to approve the Nepotism Policy as written: Richard Anthony
2nd: Liz Taylor

Vote: Unanimously approved

7. **Weapons Policy – 2nd Reading** – The AMES Faculty was presented with the chance to review the weapons policy and would like further clarifications to be made. This policy was tabled for review in November.

Fiscal

1. **July-September Fiscals** – Richard Welch presented and reviewed the fiscal report for the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year, it was requested that Nancy send out the report to the AMES Board as soon as she receives them from Richard so they have more time to review.

Motion to approve the July-September fiscal report: Lisa Taylor-Swanson

2nd: Richard Anthony

Vote: Unanimously approved

Board Organization

1. **Board Training** – Brett Wilson sent the AMES Board a link to training videos, there may be a problem with the direct link, Mr. Wilson will keep working on getting them the training information.

** **Schedule Change** – Due to a scheduling conflict, the November Board Meeting will be changed to November 20, 2019.

Foundation – No Business

AMES Mission

1. **Student Data** – The AMES Board was presented with data regarding our Economically Disadvantaged Status. We have been unable in the past to find out students who are on free or reduced lunch. Brett will contact Richard Anthony to see if he can help get us the information.
2. **October 1 Count** – The AMES Board was also given the data pertaining to our October 1 count.

Public Comment – Gary Bigelow, AMES Language Arts teacher informed the AMES Board that teachers are interested in helping with recruiting students that have been targeted in the past. He mentioned that the “Adapt or Die” trend is disturbing.

Motion to move in to closed session: Liz Taylor

2nd: Richard Anthony

Vote: Unanimously Approved

Closed session called at 6:39 p.m.

Next Meeting – November 20, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.

Approved 11/20/19