

AMES Board of Trustees

January 12, 2022 – Via Zoom

Called to Order: 5:05 p.m.

Attendees:

Board:

Richard Anthony

Liliana Diaz

Julie Faure

Shwan Javdan

Don Saxon

Alison Flanders

Staff:

Brett Wilson

Hema Katoa

Richard Welch

Nancy Carpenter

Visitors:

Amy Noyce

Kelly Glassett

Educational Excellence

1. Minutes of November 10, 2021 –

Motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2021 as presented: Julie Faure

2nd: Donald Saxon

Vote: Unanimously approved

Board Note – Don Saxon mentioned that he has been trying to reach out to the Big Smiles Organization for an AMES Foundation project but has been unsuccessful in contacting them.

2. **PTSO Report** – Julie Faure reported on the meeting that was held on January 6.

The PTSO will be providing dinner for the teachers on February 9 for Parent/Teacher Conference and a parent has volunteered to pay for the teachers to eat on February 8. The PTSO went over information about the current AMES seniors, they are also looking for parents to help plan the Senior Graduation Party. The ACT test will be given to Juniors at the end of March and the PTSO will provide breakfast before the test. The AMES counselors reported on the CCRP's that they are conducting right now with AMES students and their parents.

3. **Fee Schedule** – The AMES Board was presented the Fee Schedule with the requested changes. They requested one more change in wording to help parents.

Motion to approve the Fee Schedule with the requested change: Donald Saxon

2nd: Julie Faure

Vote: Unanimously approved

4. **Spending Plan for Collected Fees** – In discussing the Fee Schedule it was decided that the collected fees should be spent to cover the cost of AMES students that take Cottonwood High School classes.

Fiscal

1. **November/December Fiscals** - Richard Welch discussed how the federal funding sources work. We spend the funds as the year moves along and the reimbursements come in from April through June.

Motion to approve the November/December balance sheet: Donald Saxon

2nd: Julie Faure

Vote: Unanimously approved

Board Organization

1. **Trainings** – Shwan will forward a training schedule to other AMES Board members. Brett Wilson attended the Board training that was sponsored by the State Charter School Board. There are trainings also available on Youtube, Shwan will send out the link for those training videos. Equity training is an audit item.

2. **By-law Amendment to Board Membership** – The AMES Board By-laws currently state that the 2 parent representatives should be the PTSO President and President-Elect. Being President-Elect and having to serve on the AMES Board seems to be a deterrent while trying to fill the PTSO President-Elect position. The Board would like to change the Board By-laws by having the PTSO President on the AMES Board and instead of the President-Elect, make the change that the other parent Board Member be a current PTSO member parent.

Motion to approve the AMES Board By-law amendment as described: Julie Faure

2nd: Alison Flanders

Vote: Unanimously approved

Foundation

AMES Mission

1. **Calendar** – The AMES Board was given a list of upcoming important dates.

Public Comment

Amy Noyce, AMES teacher stated that she appreciates how the AMES Board works, she also mentioned that she felt like Parent/Teacher Conference would be safer online.

Kelly Glassett, AMES teacher said that he appreciated the AMES Board and Brett Wilson. He felt like online school was a disaster and now he is seeing students get back in the groove.

6:30 - Motion to move to a closed session: Liliana Diaz

2nd: Julie Faure

Vote: Unanimously approved

6:42 – Motion to open meeting: Richard Anthony

2nd: Liliana Diaz

Vote: Unanimously approved

Motion to close meeting: Donald Saxon
2nd: Alison Flanders
Vote: Unanimously approved
Meeting adjourned – 6:43 p.m.

Next Meeting – February 10, 2022
Approval pending