

AMES Board of Trustees

March 14, 2018

Called to Order: 5:27 p.m.

Attendees:

Board:

Richard Anthony

Melanie Brock

Abby Nelson

Gonzalo Palza

Staff:

Brett Wilson

Hemaloto Katoa

Richard Welch

Nancy Carpenter

Excused:

Don Saxon

Liz Taylor

Visitors:

Maxwell Brunt

Marcus Cervantes

Anthony Giorgio

Katrina Le

Thomas Micklos

Piper Stevens

Ruby Thorne

Educational Excellence

1. Minutes of January 10, 2018 –

Motion to approve the minutes of January 10, 2018 as written: Gonzalo Palza

2nd: Abby Nelson

Vote: Unanimously approved

2. **PTSO Report** – Melanie Brock reported that the PTSO had a good turnout to their meeting earlier in the afternoon. They are working on several projects to close out the school year. Open Mic Night will be on April 6th, Teacher Appreciation Week is coming up in May along with the end of year barbecue and the Senior Graduation party on May 24th. They are also working on filling positions for next year, they still need a president-elect, secretary and treasurer. The PTSO is also working on a funding policy to help sustain the program and keep supporting the students and teachers at AMES.

3. **Student Recognition** – Brett Wilson introduced several students to the AMES Board.

Thomas Micklos is a Student of the Year for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society for his fundraising efforts.

Katrina Le is a National Merit Finalist and a Sterling Scholar Finalist in Science.

Anthony Giorgio is a Sterling Scholar Finalist in English.

Marcus Cervantez is a Sterling Scholar Finalist in Social Science.

Max Brunt is a National Merit Finalist.

Piper Stevens is a National Merit Finalist.

Ruby Thorn is a National Merit Finalist.

All student spoke to the impact AMES has made in their lives.

4. **Credit Deficient Seniors** – 65 out of our 105 seniors are still not ready to graduate. 15 need credit recovery, 7 need Financial Literacy, 4 need Health, 12 need PE and 35 need to finish their Internship. There are 4 that have the AMES administrators very concerned. AMES uses BYU and packets for credit recovery, Rick Anthony suggested online recovery on Canvas through Granite School District.
5. **School Safety Procedures** – The AMES Board was given a policy the cover the Discipline of Students that have participated in Dangerous or Disruptive Conduct. This is the first reading of this policy.
6. **Cash Policy** – The Cash Receipts Policy was presented to the AMES Board, is discussion, the Board presented questions about a monthly reconciliation on petty cash, this will be added to the policy.
7. **Procurement Policy** – The AMES Board was also given the Cash Disbursement and Procurement Policy for the first reading. The Board will review for approval.
8. **Legislative Update** – Richard Anthony reported some of the changes from the recent Legislative session. There will be a funding increase in the WPU of 2.5%. AMES will also need to designate a member of the Board to be an HR liason.

Fiscal

1. **January/February Fiscals** – Richard Welch reported to the AMES Board that we are in great shape fiscally, expenditures are in line with the budget.
Motion to approve the January/February fiscals: Gonzalo Palza
2nd: Richard Anthony
Vote: Unanimously approved
2. **New Teacher Signing Bonus** – Brett Wilson asked the AMES Board to consider letting him offer a bonus to new teachers. The bonus would be for the position, not the person. This will be a decision item on the May agenda.
3. **Summer Capital Improvements** – During the summer AMES will build permanent walls to replace the accordion doors in the south and west pods, we will also replace carpet and paint walls. The plans are complete, we will be getting bids to start the work in June. AMES will also be using the Digital Teaching & Learning Grant to put iPads in the English rooms.

Board Organization –

1. **Review of AMES Bylaws** – This item was tabled and will be reviewed at a future meeting.

Foundation - No Business

AMES Mission

1. **Recruitment/Lottery Update** – The AMES Board was given a recap of the lottery that took place on February 22, 2018.

Public Comment

Motion to adjourn: Melanie Brock

2nd: Abby Nelson

Next Meeting – May 9, 2018 – 5:00 p.m.

Pending Approval