

Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.

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Bell Creek Academy

Bell Creek Academy High School

Channelside Academy of Math and Science

Channelside Academy Middle School

Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science

Independence Academy

Orange County Preparatory Academy

Riverview Academy of Math and Science

Sunlake Academy of Math and Science

Valrico Lake Advantage Academy

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

May 16, 2019

Location - Bell Creek Academy

13221 Boyette Road

Riverview, FL 33569

Present at Meeting

Patricia Rogers

Lauren Herbert

Jennifer Dean

Chris Hammill

Detria Elsner

Brittany Deen

Charles Harris

Jack Burkett

Mike Strader

Jeff Higgins

Brian Strader

Marcy Ringdahl

Keith Miller

Tiffani Richmond

Reagan Franklin, VLAA

Christopher Wilson, SAMS

Kiara Mills, VLAA

Rebecca Minjares, AAH

Kevin Austin, OCPA

Nikki Melton, AAH

Melissa Dailey, AAH

Maura DeGracia, HAMS

Kathy Myers, AAH

Leslie Bennett, IAS

Nancy Rosado, AAH

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Rogers asked if any person present wished to speak under Public Comment.

With no Public Comments, Mrs. Rogers asked the Board to review the meeting minutes from the last governing board meeting (April 22) and approve or amend as needed. Mr. Harris motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Dean seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Principal Reports

Advantage Academy of Hillsborough – Mr. Miller reported on the recent highlights at the school. The 4th grade students won first place in Battle of the Books and first place for most creative float in the children’s Strawberry Festival parade. The school raised \$2,000 in Relay for Life and the engineering club participated in the RoboFest competition. Upcoming events include the eighth grade banquet and Suessville in June.

Bell Creek Academy – Mr. Hammill reported on the recent activities at the school including the Middle and High School field day and band participation in the Festival of Fantasy competition at Disney. Upcoming activities include award ceremonies, athletic banquet and end of year staff party.

Channelside Academy of Math and Science/Middle School – Ms. Fuentes reported enrollment at 510. School activities include Daddy Daughter dance, Jump Rope for Heart and FSA Pep Rally. Upcoming events include Parent Information night, Invention Convention and graduations.

Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science –Ms. Deen reported enrollment at 790. Ms. Deen said the Boys Flag Football Team came in 1st place in their division and 4th grade battle of the Books Team came in 3rd place. End of the year activities include the 4th grade trip to Bok Tower, a Band Concert, 5th grade field day and 8th grade graduation.

Independence Academy – Mr. Burkett reported enrollment at 931. Mr. Burkett said recent events include Read Across America, Bone Valley Field Study and Battle of the Books. Upcoming events include Music Concerts, Sports Banquet and Kindergarten and 8th grade completions.

Orange County Preparatory Academy – Mr. Higgins reported on the recent events at OCPA including the 8th grade Gradventure at Universal Studios, basketball tournament playoffs and a successful PTSO Book Fair. Upcoming activities include spirit night, and one student was chosen to sing the National Anthem at the Amway Center on June 15.

Sunlake Academy of Math and Science – Mr. Christopher Wilson reported enrollment at 787. Recent activities include the Honor Roll Assembly, Bogo Book Fair and Invention Convention. They celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week recently and next year the school will continue to offer the Galileo Program to the 7th-8th graders.

Riverview Academy of Math and Science- Ms. Ringdahl stated she is excited for the coming new school year to serve as principal of the board’s newest campus and advised that many excited parents have been participating in the parent information nights.

Valrico Academy – Ms. Herbert reported enrollment at 935. Ms. Herbert said students participated in the 2nd Annual Art Show fundraiser and netted \$1,600. The school recently held third quarter award ceremonies. Upcoming activities include Graduation and 5th grade completion ceremony.

Information Items

1. Mr. Strader reminded the Board that financial reports go out monthly. Any questions regarding financials may be directed to Ms. Jeannette Merced or to Mr. Brian Fisher.
2. Recognition of 10 Year Employees – The governing board recognized the dedicated service of employees that have been with their respective schools for 10 years.
 - a. Nikki Melton- Advantage Academy of Hillsborough
 - b. Kathy Myers- Advantage Academy of Hillsborough
 - c. Rebecca Minjares- Advantage Academy of Hillsborough
 - d. Nancy Rosado- Advantage Academy of Hillsborough
 - e. Reagan Franklin- Valrico Academy
 - f. Kiara Mills- Valrico Academy
 - g. Tiffani Richmond- – Executive Area Director
 - h. Melissa Bell -Channelside Academy of Math and Science
3. Mr. Strader advised the board regarding the FY19 Audit Engagement letters. The auditor had been previously selected per the rules of the auditor general, however each year the agreement is in place the governing board is required to complete an engagement letter authorizing the auditor firm to complete the audit of each respective school for the current fiscal year.
4. Mr. Strader presented the board with a proposed 2019-2020 school year calendar which mirrors the calendar of the School District of Hillsborough County.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of purchase orders and agreements
2. Approval of Personnel Items Certification Waivers, Exhibit A
3. Final Approval, FY19 Audit Engagement Letters
4. Approve the 2019-2020 school calendar

Mr. Harris motioned to approve items 1 to 4 from consent agenda. Ms. Elsner seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Reports

There were no board member reports.

Items Scheduled for Action and Discussion

None

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m. Approved and Accepted

Board Chair

Date