

**AFSA K-12**  
**Work Session Notes**  
**K-8 Cafeteria**  
**August 23, 2022**  
**4:00 - 5:00 pm**  
**AGENDA TOPICS**

**Board Members Present:** Kate Plaisance, Katie Crowley, Brady Jones, Julie Cox, Gerard Cramer

**Board Members Absent:** David Smith, Melissa Degidio, Jodi Stumpner

**Others Present:** Becky Meyer, Erik Bruner-Wiltse, Shannon Swenson, Liz Burkwald, Carrie Reid

**A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

1. Call to Order: Board Chair Kate Plaisance called the work session to order at 4:03 pm.

**B. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Discussion was held on filling the vacant Parent Representative Board position. 5 parents have contacted Julie Cox/Kate Plaisance with interest in the position. Application process, screening, and interview questions were deliberated. An interview team was elected. Parents have until Sept. 1 to indicate their interest in the position.
2. Planning for Board Retreat Scheduled for Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Discussion included agenda suggestions and Board goals to include:
  - a. Strategic Planning
  - b. Financial Training
  - c. Data Practices
  - d. Open Meeting Law
  - e. Board Recruiting
  - f. Board outside-in learning
  - g. Evaluate Board responsibilities
3. OW Authorizing Activities: Becky Meyer reviewed the Osprey Wilds authorizing responsibilities for the current school year. The Oversight Activities, Site Visits, Board Meeting Observations, the School's Responsibilities and Osprey Wilds Feedback and Evaluation.
4. Katie Crowley presented the completed Agriculture Advisory Committee Brochure and Flyer ready to be distributed.
5. Time was taken to begin review of 2022-2023 Handbooks.
6. Stephanie Forliti is planning on attending next board meeting for a photograph of the board.

**H. ADJOURN:** The work session was adjourned at 4:59 pm.

**Regular board meeting to begin at 5:00 pm**

**AFSA K-12  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
K-8 Cafeteria  
August 23, 2022  
5:00 - 6:30 pm  
AGENDA TOPICS**

**Board Members Present:** Kate Plaisance, Katie Crowley, Brady Jones, Julie Cox, Gerard Cramer  
**Board Members Absent:** David Smith, Melissa DeGidio, Jodi Stumpner  
**Others Present:** Becky Meyer, Erik Bruner-Wiltse, Liz Burkwald, Shelbi Pool, Shannon Swenson, Carrie Reid

**A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

1. Call to Order: Board Chair Kate Plaisance called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
  - a. Mission: The Academy for Science & Agriculture, a public charter school for grades K-12, engages learners in academically rigorous, student centered hands-on experiences and leadership opportunities within a science, environmental education, and agricultural context.
  - b. Vision: Preparing Students for Careers in Science, Business, and Technology of Agriculture
  - c. Honoring Native Tribes: We would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Dakota People, and pay our respect to elders both past and present.
2. Determination of Quorum (5 members minimum): A quorum was determined.

3. Approve Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Gerald Cramer. \_\_\_\_\_ Brady Jones seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
4. Determination of Conflict of Interest: No conflict of interest was determined to be present.
5. Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the July 2022 Board minutes as presented was made by Julie Cox. Katie Crowley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
6. Approval of Financial Report: Shannon Swenson presented the Financial Report, payment of invoices and acceptance of gifts. A motion was made to approve the Financial Report as presented was made by Katie Crowley. Julie Cox seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**B. GUEST COMMENTS** (Three minutes per presenter)- No Guest Comments

**C. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Administrative report:

Shelbi Pool presented the administrative report for AFSA K-8.

K-8:

- Teachers are back in this week working on team building and planning.
- Enrollment for 2022-23 is at 425 for a district total. 245 enrolled at AFSA K-8 and 180 at the HS.
- Back to school picnic Tuesday August 30<sup>th</sup> 3-7 pm

Eric Bruner-Wiltse presented the administrative report for AFSA High School.

9-12:

- Teachers reported back this week for team building and planning.
- Volleyball and Cross Country practice have started.
- A group of staff took an Agriculture Fieldtrip in August to get the year started with agriculture incorporated teaching ideas. Excellent feedback was received on this event.
- Stephanie Forliti has been successful in reaching the community interest at the many markets and fairs this summer. The Battle Ground Café event was a success and we hope to continue game night events throughout the school year.

2. Committee Reports: Julie Cox was excited to update that the board members are all up to date on training. The September 24<sup>th</sup> Board Retreat will continue to keep board training requirements on track.

3. Kate Plaisance opened to appoint Julie Cox, Gerald Cramer, Katie Crowley and Shelbi Pool as the Interview Election Committee to create interview questions and complete tasks to bring the Parent Representative Board position to vote at the October Board Meeting.

#### **D. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Osprey Wilds Board Observation Feedback: Becky Meyer presented the School Board Meeting Observation results. The review indicated the AFSA School Board did well meeting criteria and discussion was had on what criteria is reviewed. One of the items of discussion was the Environmental Literacy Plan (ELP) review at board meetings. Katie Crowley discussed how Environmental Education is incorporated into fieldtrips, science and agricultural classes at AFSA K-8 and AFSA HS.

#### **E. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Policy Changes: A motion was made to rescind the 110: Face Coverings Policy and 120: Covid-19 Related Quarantines Policy as presented was made by Gerald Cramer. Brady Jones seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
2. Handbook Approvals: A motion was made to approve the following 2022-2023 Handbooks: AFSA K8 Student/Parent Handbook, AFSA 9-12 Student/Parent Handbook, AFSA K8 Teacher Handbook, AFSA 9-12 Teacher Handbook, AFSA Employee Handbook as presented was made by Brady Jones. Gerald Cramer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
3. Safe Learning Plan: A motion was made to approve the updated AFSA Safe Learning Plan as presented was made by Gerald Cramer. Katie Crowley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
4. Food Service Policy: A motion was made to approve the AFSA Food Service Policy as presented was made by Katie Crowley. Julie Cox seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**F. TRAINING:** none

#### **G. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. Next meeting: Regular Meeting September 27, 2022 at 5 pm

**H. ADJOURNMENT:** Katie Crowley moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm. Gerald Cramer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

