**The Ranches Academy**

**School Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT**

| **Date** | 3/16/23 |
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| **Attendees** | Susie Scherer, Reed Ryan, Paul Jerome, Josh Marsh, Preston Griffin, Kedrick Morris Linda Tuttle, Stephanie Colson |
| **Guests** | Jeff Besinger |
| **Start time** | 7:07 PM |
| **End time** | 9:30 PM |
| **Location** | The Ranches Academy |

| **Agenda Topic** | **Discussion** | **Motions/Actions** |
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| Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance | The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call for the meeting was taken. |  |
| Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes | The agenda and minutes from 2/15/23 were provided for review. | MOTION: A motion by Preston Griffin and a second by Kedrick Morris to approve the agenda and previous meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.  FOR: All  AGAINST:None |
| Public Comment |  |  |
| Discuss Expansion- Jeff Besinger from Red Apple | Jeff Besinger introduced two options.  Option 1: Add about 4 classrooms 5,000-5,500 sq ft. Jeff feels that we would still have comfortable reserves if paid in cash.  Option 2 - 11 classrooms 17,000-17,500 sqft. This would put us at over 40,000sq ft total. The plan would be to nearly double our enrollment. This would be in the $3.5-4 million range. It would be suggested that our current loan would be paid off before we finance the new building. | ACTION: Preston will add an agenda item for the next board meeting to discuss school expansion. |
| Review Budget | The Board reviewed the budget with Linda Tuttle. |  |
| Finance Committee Report | Paul Jermone met and reviewed the statements with Michelle Bennett. They also reviewed audits. |  |
| Review 22-23 Director’s Strategic Plan | The Board reviewed the strategic plan with the Director. | ACTION: Preston Griffin will add an agenda item for a report on the special ed audit. |
| Review Stakeholder Survey Results | The Board reviewed the survey results from the parents, full and part time staff. |  |
| Board Training – Paul Jerome   * Ranches’ Sources of Income | Paul Jerome gave the board a training about the various sources of income that the school receives. |  |
| New Business | Next meeting is April 20th at 7:30PM. |  |
| **Adjourn** | Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM | MOTION: A motion by Paul Jerome. The motion passed unanimously.  FOR: All  AGAINST:None |