

THE EDGE SCHOOL INC., EDGE HIGH SCHOOL
 Board Meeting Minutes
 April 21, 2021
 Via Zoom TeleConference

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<u>Agenda item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
Call to order	<p>Greg Hart called the meeting to order at 7:38 am</p> <p><u>Board and Officers</u> Present via teleconference: Greg Hart, Gloria Proo, John Garcia, Regina Suitt,, Claire Scheuren, Chelsea James Absent: Brittany Battle Also Present: Rob Pecharich – District Principal, Anne Ortiz – Finance and Resource Director, Dave Thatcher – Northwest School Principal, Sophie Maloney – ELA Teacher, Lee Borzick – Science Teacher</p> <p><u>Public Comment</u> Sophie Maloney thanked the Board for their support and with a heavy heart informed the Board that she is resigning from her position of ELA Teacher at Edge Himmel Park this school year. Sophie shared that she will be building trails in Grand Teton, Wyoming. She hopes to return to Arizona next winter.</p>	
Regular Agenda	<p><u>SAIS Report</u> Enrollment at 165 combined for the two campuses. HP-98, NW-67; ADM158.8. Statewide recalculation will be completed in July.</p> <p><u>Fundraising Report</u> Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director reported that we are still receiving tax credit donations; approximately \$7,600 and expects to receive an additional \$1,000 before the tax deadline.</p> <p><u>Finance Report</u> Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director presented on the financial dashboard for the month of April; Ending cash is over \$12,600. State stabilization lower than expected. Federal aid is higher due to ESSER funds. There are two (2) payrolls, normal bills and nothing unusual in the month of April. ESSER3 relief monies will greatly infuse funds to schools. Testing accountability waived; Grad rates not waived and will be finalized in September; Grant applications on Title I/II/IV and IDEA due May 1, 2021. Edge Administration met with Greenwich Investments, Kutak Rock and US Bank to discuss the future of the Edge IDA of Pima County Bond and are still in negotiation to reduce interest rate to 5.5%, a savings of \$30,000 to \$35,000 per year. Edge Administration is still waiting for a response and it is not clear if interest rate is retroactive to January 2021.</p> <p><u>Administrator’s Update</u> Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal, informed the Board of a few 10-day withdrawals at Edge Himmel Park and noted that many Tucson High Students have inquired about Edge High school’s in-person learning model. Mr. Pecharich also informed the board that Edge is trying to get confirmation of AOI – On line Instruction to serve students who want to continue in 100% distance learning. The Arizona Charter</p>	

	<p>Board has indicated they would be flexible with schools applying for AOI during the pandemic. The deadline to apply is mid-May. If AOI is not approved for Edge Schools, there is the possibility of partnering with <i>GradSolutions</i>.</p> <p>Mr. Dave Thatcher, Northwest School Principal, reported that Edge Northwest has received several phone inquiries but students are slow to respond to Mr. Thatcher's replies. Edge Northwest is also experiencing several 10-day withdrawals. Pre-enrollment numbers for Fall 2021 look good.</p> <p>Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director pointed out that an increase in 10-day withdrawals is common in the 4th quarter.</p>	
Bank Reconciliations – March 2021	deferred	
Prior Meeting Minutes –Regular Meeting – March 12, 2021	Dr. John Garcia made the following motion – to approve the minutes of March 12, 2021, as presented by Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director. Ms. Gloria Proo seconded the motion.	<p>Aye – John Garcia Aye –Gloria Proo Aye –Regina Suitt Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – Chelsea James Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Discussion and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2020-21 Revised Expenditure Budget	Mrs. Regina Suitt made the following motion – to approve the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Revised Expenditure Budget as presented by Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director. Dr. John Garcia seconded the motion.	<p>Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – John Garcia Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – Chelsea James Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Discussion and possible action to approve Classroom Site Performance Pay allocation and distribution date	Ms. Gloria Proo made the following motion – to approve the 2 nd payment of classroom site performance pay without Teacher and Principal evaluations as directed by the State, in the amount of \$3,000 for 1.0 FTE Teachers and \$1,500 for 1.0 FTE Teaching Aides, to be paid on 6/17/2021, as presented by Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director. Mrs. Regina Suitt seconded the motion.	<p>Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – John Garcia Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – Chelsea James Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Discussion and possible action to approve summer break June 7 – June 11, 2021	Mrs. Regina Suitt made the following motion – to approve the summer break and 1-week closure of Edge school from June 7 – June 11, 2021 for 12-month staff, as presented by Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal. Ms. Chelsea James seconded the motion.	<p>Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – Chelsea James Aye – John Garcia Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Discussion and	Ms. Chelsea James made the following motion – to approve	Aye – Chelsea James

<p>possible action to approve summer schedule Monday–Thursday June 14 – July 16, 2021</p>	<p>the summer schedule of Monday through Thursday, June 14 – July 16, 2021 for summer staff , as presented by Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal. Dr. John Garcia seconded the motion.</p>	<p>Aye – John Garcia Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
<p>Discussion and possible action to approve Fiscal Year 2021-22 Preliminary Notices of Employment</p>	<p>Ms. Claire Scheuren made the following motion – to approve issuing 2021-22 Preliminary Notices of Employment with current salaries, then revise and re-issue once the Arizona state budget is approved as presented by Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director. Dr. John Garcia seconded the motion.</p>	<p>Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – John Garcia Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – Chelsea James Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
<p>Discussion and possible action to approve In Person Learning 5-days per week and Executive order 2021-04</p>	<p>Ms. Gloria Proo made the following motion – to approve to move to In Person Learning 5 days per week per Executive order 2021-04, as presented by Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal. Ms. Claire Scheuren seconded the motion.</p>	<p>Aye – Gloria Proo Aye – Claire Scheuren Aye – John Garcia Aye – Regina Suitt Aye – Chelsea James Aye – Greg Hart</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
<p>Discussion and possible action to approve Edge High School Mask Policy in relation to Executive Order 2021-10</p>	<p>Ms. Chelsea James made the following motion – to abide by the mask mandate already in place as described below and as presented by Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal. Ms. Claire Scheuren seconded the motion</p> <p>Edge High School will continue to follow all mitigation strategies currently set in place and the use of face coverings is a top mitigation strategy for safe in-person learning. Per Edge School District policy, face coverings must be work on all Edge High School campuses and district offices, by all students, faculty, staff, contractors and visitors.</p> <p>--Edge High School District Administration</p>	
<p>Discussion and possible action for fiscal year 2020-21 Graduation Ceremonies</p>	<p>Mr. Rob Pecharich, District Principal informed the Board of the upcoming 2020-21 Graduation Ceremony scheduled for Friday, May 28, 2021. Edge Administrators have reached out to 2019/20 graduates for the possibility of 2 ceremonies at the Leo Rich Theater, located at the Tucson Convention Center. Other venues are not approving permits for large gatherings.</p>	
<p>Personnel - Discussion and possible action to approve resignation of Sophia Maloney – English Teacher Himmel Park</p>	<p>deferred</p>	
<p>Discussion and</p>	<p>Ms. Anne Ortiz, Finance and Resource Director, presented the</p>	

possible action regarding Arizona Department of Health Services and Pima County Health Department COVID-19 Benchmarks for school reopening	Arizona Department of Health Services and Pima County Health Department website. The school dashboard indicates the transmission level for Pima County has been in substantial transmission for the last three weeks of data.	
Board Development	deferred	
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 8:53 am	

Next Board Meeting scheduled: 5/19/2021 at 7:30 am

Board minutes respectfully submitted by Irma Ojeda
 Approved on: _____ by Edge Board