



## The Northern Utah Academy for Math, Engineering & Science

### Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

10:00 am – Meeting Via ZOOM and In-person, Noorda Building, WSU

March 14, 2023

Conducting: Sue Johnson

**Attending:** Sue Johnson, Lynnette Gilbert, Dave Ferro, Fran Bradshaw, Lauri Larsen, Kelli Booth, Nate Taggart, Dawn Winter, Steve Davis, Brenda Casper, Mindy Nelson

**Welcome:**

**Action Item: Minutes Approval**

**Motion to approve minutes from February 15, 2023: Mindy Nelson. Second: Lauri Larson. All in favor.**

#### **Overview of NUAMES Charter – Kelli Booth**

There is a lot of outdated and antiquated verbiage in our Charter. Kelli will send updates to Jennifer Lambert and she will catch any updates we may have missed. The charter says that we would have one parent from the NUMAES North Community Council and one member of NUAMES Davis Community Council. They would be voting members and will serve only while their student is attending NUAMES. We would like to have them here for 3 years.

Also, in the old charter it refers to the “Selection Process” and it should be called “Lottery Process” for enrollment. That is just one of the changes. In the charter it states that all districts, Ogden, Davis, and Weber School Districts, would contribute their 9<sup>th</sup> grade student lists. Ogden does not share its mailing list with NUAMES. There is legislation in the works for all charter schools to have access so that charter schools don’t have to spend .

It is noted that the founding members of the board do not have term limits.

#### **Financials: Nate Taggart (See Attachment)**

- We are in good shape regarding our finances with 4 million in the bank at the end of last year. We have \$560,000 that was in excess last year. Take away the 2 million for the NOORDA building and we have about \$2,005,000. We are looking good as far as we go for this year. We have expenses coming up such as tuition. We are in good shape even with bonuses, even without the student fees this year. Please see the attachment.
- We had the furniture expenses which were moved to this year’s budget since we hadn’t moved in last year. We had to pull an extra 1/2 million for furniture for the Noorda building.
- Has tuition increased since we started? Dave: The legislation this year basically said we couldn’t increase the tuition. The nice thing is that we know it won’t be raised next year. It is readjusted a bit each year. Weber pays \$1,000 for each Jr and Sr scholarships. One of the ways to offset that expense as an organization is to offer the CE. It has been a game-changer for our budget. This was Kelli’s idea. Nate called Kelli a genius. It has been sustainable and provides an early college experience for students at all levels of academic proficiency.
- NUAMES partnership with WSU CS department has been amazing and model for all
- Dave explained how the Engineering Department has a meeting with all department chairs and unit directors. Dave invited NUAMES to one of the meetings. It was a great relationship building and connection building

experience for NUAMES. Dave would like to see NUAMES invited to the Dean of Science's meetings too. The university wants to find better ways to utilize NUAMES.

**Proposed addition to NUAMES Administrative Team: Kelli Booth**

- NUAMES has been the only charter school with multiple campuses that does not have an Executive Director looking out for BOTH schools.
- Kelli Booth is acting as the NUAMES Executive Director over both campuses as well as the Principal of NUAMES Davis. NUAMES would like to open a position for a full-time Principal. Kelli will become a full-time Executive Director.
- Kelli has vision and is doing such an amazing job of running both schools – as our Executive Director. As the full-time Executive Director, Kelli will have more time to foster our relationship with Weber State University, community partners and support student learning.
- Weber and Davis School Districts have new Superintendents and it is a great time to nurture those relationships.
- NUAMES is a District – many people think we are a school. At the State, we are listed as a District. We must do the reports and the work of a full district, which Kelli has been doing. She will continue doing the “District” work as Executive Director.
- The board agrees to this change. We will open the job for Principal of NUAMES Davis immediately. The new Principal would start next Fall/July 1.
- The NUAMES Board of Trustees would like one of the focuses of the new Executive Director to be on documenting how we respond to “this” or what we do in “this” situation. How do we replicate? Not our policies, but just how can NUAMES be replicated in the future. It is unprecedented that NUAMES North is a school in its 4<sup>th</sup> year and actually performed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the State! Writing it down would be important because we have replicated from NUAMES Davis the NUAMES North school. How are we different and can we document it? Kelli said, “Winning teams attract winning players”. NUAMES seems to attract amazing people and this is probably our greatest strength. It’s the NUAMES way.

**Lottery: Brenda Casper**

NN: 147 Accepted: 161 offered,

ND: 330 Accepted: 368 offered

(Open to 350)

**Current Enrollment Totals:**

NUAMES Davis:

Sophomores: 208

Juniors: 230

Seniors: 201

**TOTAL: 639**

NUAMES North:

Sophomores: 171

Juniors: 138

Seniors: 120

**TOTAL 429**

**Upcoming Events: Kelli Booth**

**NUAMES Flyby for new Sophomores:**

- March 23, 3:30 – 6:30
- Department Tables
- Club/Group tables in the Atrium

**NUAMES Graduation:**

- May 19 – Friday
- Combined – both campuses
- 1:00 pm in the Dee Events Center
- President Mortensen will be our speaker (He has a son graduating from NAUMES North)

**Some of our Student's Awards:**

- Students: 1<sup>st</sup> place in 200-yard freestyle relay – Ogden High
- Brooks Mortensen was academic all-state for Ogden High swimming
- Elijah Sewel 6A Allstate boys' basketball for Roy High

**Upcoming Calendar:**

- March 9 – ACT Test
- March 9 – WSU/DSD IEP/504 transition Fair – Davis Campus Ballroom
- March 15- TSA Competition
- March 16-End of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
- March 16 Sophomore Conference
- March 16 and 17- State HOSA Competition
- March 17-Professional Development Day
- March 21-Roy library – Information Night for NORTH
- March 22-Community Council teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- March 23-FLYBY
- April 3-7 - NUAMES Spring Break

**Next Meeting: May 9, 2023. The meeting will be held in the Noorda Building at 10:00 am**

**Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn: Sue Johnson. Second, Lynnette Gilbert**