

MINUTES

Of the Board of Directors of Grimmway Schools

(A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation)

I. PRELIMINARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Directors of this corporation, held their meeting at the time, on the day, and at the place set forth as follows:

Time: 4:01 p.m.

Date: April 24, 2017

Place: 901 Nectarine Court, Arvin, CA 93203

2. DIRECTORS PRESENT

The following directors, constituting a quorum of the Board, were present at the meeting:

Present: Tom Mestmaker, Sean McNally, Manuel Pantoja and Richard Stotler

Absent: Olga Cruz

Grimm Family Education Foundation Staff Present: Evelyn Steed, Compliance Manager; Barbara Grimm Marshall, Founder; ~~RJ Valentino, President~~

Grimmway Schools Staff Present: Ricky Phillips, Accounting Clerk; Neil Shah, COO; Michelle Lumis, Compliance Manager; Paul Escala, Executive Director; Mike Romero, Human Resources Manager

Grimmway Academy Staff Present: Greg West, Principal; Joanna Kendrick, GA Shafter Principal; Katelyn Prosser, Academic Dean; Sabrina Reimert, Intervention Coordinator; and Zulema Ela, Librarian

Others Present:

Georgia Rhett, Arvin Union School District Representative

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Sean McNally, seconded by Richard Stotler, and passed, to approve the minutes of the Board meeting dated ~~April 24, 2017~~ March 27, 2017.

Resolved further, that the Secretary of the Corporation is authorized and directed to insert a copy of these certified minutes into the book of minutes of this Corporation and to see that a certified copy of these minutes is kept at the principal's office for the transaction of business of this Corporation.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

II. COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no non-agenda items brought before the Board of Directors at this meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Paul Escala provided an update on the preparation for student testing in Arvin. Faculty and students are engaged in re-teaching exercise, coupled with weekly standards-based assessments. Development of the LCAP and new school year budget are in full gear. The Arvin campus and CMO staff are preparing for two important visits in April – Charter School Growth Fund on April 18th, and the Annual Oversight Visit with the Kern County Superintendent of Schools on April 28, 2017.

The Shafter campus is moving along and will be ready for move-in in July. Over 320 students are enrolled and faculty positions are almost filled. The hiring of non-instructional staff has also started in Shafter.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Grimmway Academy Arvin

Greg West shared that testing is underway for SBAC and NWEA. Eighth graders spent five days in Washington D.C. in April. The second annual Wellness Fair was held on April 20th. Over 17 vendors participated and over 175 people attended this fun event. The Superhero Fun Run was held on April 22nd to kick off the testing season. Students, faculty and parents ran a 3k race dressed in their favorite superhero costume. Enrollment for the 17-18 school year has closed. A total of 782 students are enrolled, with 27 students on the waitlist in grades first, fourth, fifth and sixth.

PRESENTATION – Eighth Grade Washington D.C. Trip

Two eighth grade students presented a slide show from their Washington D.C. trip, sharing the places they visited and what they learned at each site.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Grimmway Academy Shafter

Joanna Kendrick shared enrollment is still growing in Shafter and neighborhood

canvassing continues. Community Outreach at local churches continues, as well as radio advertising, which has had the most impact to promote awareness of Grimmway Academy Shafter. Professional development is being planned for the summer for Shafter teachers and classified staff hiring has started.

SPGA REPORT

There was no SPGA Report.

GA STAFF REPORT

There was no GA Staff Report.

FISCAL REPORT

Neil Shah presented the CMO, Grimmway Academy Arvin and Grimmway Academy Shafter financials through the month of March.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. *FISCAL*

1. The Directors were presented with the Purchase Orders and Warrants for the month of March that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Sean McNally, seconded by Manuel Pantoja, and carried, the Board approved the purchase orders and warrants.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

2. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the Grimmway Academy Arvin Title III Plan for SY 16-17 that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Manuel Pantoja, seconded by Richard Stotler, and carried, the Board approved the Title III Plan for SY 16-17.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

3. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the Grimmway Academy Arvin Form 990 and Form 199 Tax Return that was considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Sean McNally, seconded by Richard Stotler, and carried, the Board approved Form 990 and Form 199 Tax Return.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

4. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the Grimmway Academy Shafter County Treasurer Account that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Manuel Pantoja, seconded by Richard Stotler, and carried, the Board approved the County Treasurer Account.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

B. Curriculum and Instruction

1. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the SY 17-18 School Calendar for Grimmway Academy Arvin that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Sean McNally, seconded by Richard Stotler, and carried, the Board approved the SY 17-18 School Calendar for Grimmway Academy Arvin.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

2. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the SY 17-18 School Calendar for Grimmway Academy Shafter that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Richard Stotler, seconded by, Manuel Pantoja and carried, the Board approved the SY 17-18 School Calendar for Grimmway Academy Shafter.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		

Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

C. Employee

1. The Directors were presented with the Approval of the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 17-18 SY that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Richard Stotler, seconded by, Manuel Pantoja and carried, the Board approved the Grimmway Academy Shafter SY 17-18 School Calendar.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Sean McNally	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Richard Stotler	X		
Olga Cruz			X

On a motion the board adjourned at 4:29 pm.

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CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I certify that I am the duly elected Secretary of the Grimmway Schools, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation; that these minutes, consisting of five (5) pages are the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 24, 2017.

Secretary