

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: August 26, 2019

Place: 471 W. Los Angeles St, Shafter, CA 93263

2. DIRECTORS PRESENT

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

Present: Tom Mestmaker, President; Matt Look, Star Parents of Grimmway Academy (SPGA) and Parent Representative via telephone; Manuel Pantoja, Secretary and Arvin Community Representative; Ernie Unruh, Kern County Superintendent of Schools Representative

Absent: Dr. Jean Fuller, Grimm Family Education Foundation Representative

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

Grimmway Schools Staff Present: Casey Yeazel, Executive Director; Mike Romero, Director of Human Resources; Greg West, Director of School Support Services; Michelle Lumis, Executive Assistant; Dr. Monica Jara Guerra, Director of Alumni and College Initiatives

Grimmway Academy Staff Present: Joanna Kendrick, Principal; Hurshel Williams, Principal; Katelyn Prosser, Vice Principal of Academics; Sabrina Reimert, Vice Principal of Student Services

Others Present: Cindy Franz, Back Office Provider with EdTec; Cynthia Duarte, Parent; Maria Rico, Parent

3. FLAG SALUTE

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Manuel Pantoja, seconded by, Ernie Unruh, and passed, to approve the minutes of the Board meeting dated July 29, 2019.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent	Abstain
Tom Mestmaker	X			
Manuel Pantoja	X			
Ernie Unruh	X			
Matt Look	X			
Jean Fuller			X	

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.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - NONE

LEADERSHIP REPORT

Casey Yeazel, Executive Director, shared the Grimmway Academy Arvin Oversight Report had no findings. The report will be presented at the Kern County Superintendent of Schools (KCSOS) board meeting on September 6, 2019.

A special board meeting will be held on Thursday, August 29, 2019 for the Grimmway Academy Arvin renewal petition. Our expectation is the petition renewal will be presented during the October board meeting for KCSOS, otherwise the petition will go to the KCSOS board in November. Casey is working with Cathy Morris from KCSOS.

Legislative Update – Casey shared the latest news regarding Assembly Bills 1505 and 1507. We will continue our advocacy efforts and vigilance around these bills. Grimmway Schools is working closely with communities to educate and form a coalition around potential charter school legislation.

Dr. Monica Jara Guerra, Director of Alumni and College Initiatives shared the Kick-off meeting for Alumni families will occur at 5:30 pm this evening. The workshop is to welcome alumni families and share ideas on how to improve services for families.

Mike Romero, Director of Human Resources, shared his team is working with Kern County Superintendent of Schools (KCSOS) to ensure all credentials are accurate and posted for new teachers. This is the second month of self-funded medical plans. Currently trending well below last year for claims.

Greg West, Director of School Support Services, shared the solar project is now in the

design phase. Adding an additional row of panels, which will lower the payback period, and increase our return. Breaking ground the week of Thanksgiving.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Grimmway Academy Arvin

Principal, Hurshel Williams shared GA Arvin is focusing on LCAP goal 2 – meaningful partnerships, by holding a family reunion on Saturday, August 3rd. The first Coffee and Conversations was held with families. This event will be held monthly to improve communication with stakeholders. Upcoming Parent Night, hosting School Site Council meeting, then back to school night Thursday, August 29th. Number of Saturday events coming up in the Edible School Yard. Ernie asked if we are inviting families on the waitlist to the parent meeting? Hurshel said yes to all events.

Casey mentioned to the board the leadership report will be focusing on an LCAP goal each month, which is new in the leadership report.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-Grimmway Academy Shafter

Principal, Joanna Kendrick shared GA Shafter's LCAP goal 2. Kicked off back to school last week with Social & Emotional learning for teachers and students. Joanna thanked the Vice Principals, Katelyn Prosser and Sabrina Reimert, for their continued support and leadership.

ARVIN AND SHAFTER PARENT REPORT

Cynthia Duarte, President of Parents of Grimmway Academy (POGA) shared the on-going events of the parent group in GA Shafter. A table was set-up during Mutual Promise night to gather parent interest, along with a table at Back to School Night, where POGA provided free lemonade. POGA's first event of the school year was a movie night, sponsored by Supervisor David Couch. Two POGA meetings have been held this school year, one meeting in July and one in August. Next event will be a trunk or treat on October 30th.

Matt Look, President of Star Parents of Grimmway Academy (SPGA) at GA Arvin, provided the parent report. The first meeting of the school year was held; voting of board positions was held and the calendar was planned out for the year. SPGA will be helping out with STEM night on September 11th. Next meeting will be held on September 10th.

GRIMMWAY SCHOOLS STAFF REPORT

Joanna shared there are a couple new staff members at GA Shafter - John Alexander has been hired as the new head chef and Bonnie Ramos is the new school nurse.

FISCAL REPORT

Cindy Franz from EdTec (back-office provider) shared the July 2019 financial update.

Cindy said a true-up of the financials will occur next month as the fiscal year transition is reconciled. Received updated SPED revenue numbers from KCSOS for both schools. Ernie asked what are the go-back costs for 18-19 SY for SPED? Cindy said we have not received them. Unaudited actuals are due September 13th.

For GA Arvin, Cindy shared the forecasted net income is currently \$323,352, a \$10,000 decrease from the previous forecast.

For GA Shafter, the forecasted net income is currently \$113,115, a \$3,000 increase from the previous forecast.

For the home office, the forecasted net income is currently \$11,144, a \$1,000 increase from the previous forecast.

Cindy shared that both schools benefited from an increase in revenue from the ASES grant.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. FISCAL

1. The Directors were presented with the Purchase Orders and Warrants for the month of July 2019 that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by Ernie Unruh, seconded by Manuel Pantoja, and carried, the Board approved the July 2019 Purchase Orders and Warrants.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Ernie Unruh	X		
Matt Look	X		
Jean Fuller			X

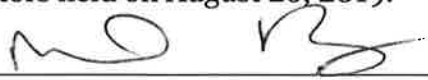
2. The Directors were presented with the Approval of Managed Services Provider Contract that were considered, and discussed. On a motion duly made by, Matt Look, seconded by Manuel Pantoja, and carried, the Board approved the Managed Services Provider Contract.

Board Member	Yay	Nay	Absent
Tom Mestmaker	X		
Manuel Pantoja	X		
Ernie Unruh	X		
Matt Look	X		
Jean Fuller			X

On a motion the board adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

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 August 26, 2019.



Secretary

