



Education Alliance Board of Directors Meeting

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Monday, February 25, 2019 4:00 p.m.

Washoe Education Association

1890 Donald Street, 2nd Floor

Reno, NV

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call to Order – 4:08 p.m., Reno, NV – Dave Bianchi, 1890 Donald Street, Reno, NV

1.02 Roll Call

Present: Dave Bianchi, Brent Boynton, Bill Cathey, Melissa Deadmond, Mariah Evans, Bill Fong, Lauren Garfinkel, Kendall Inskip, Kris Layman, Chris Morgan, Charles Pasillas, Nanette Quitt, Ben Rogers, Michelle Sanchez Bickley, Eric Scheetz, and John Slaughter

Unable to Attend: Natha Anderson, Melissa Burnham, Joe Cline, David Lasic, Ann Silver, Jill Tolles, and Alex Woodley.

Guests: Torie Palmer and Kayla Wolfson, UNR Career Studio Pack Interns

1.03 Public Comment – None at this time.

1.04 Action to Adopt the Agenda - It was **moved by Michelle Sanchez-Bickley**, and **seconded by Nanette Quitt** to Adopt the Agenda - **Motion Passed.** Dave Bianchi, Brent Boynton, Bill Cathey, Melissa Deadmond, Bill Fong, Lauren Garfinkel, Kendall Inskip, Kris Layman, Charles Pasillas, Nanette Quitt, Ben Rogers, and Michelle Sanchez Bickley all voted Yea.

2. Reports

2.01 President's Report

Dave Bianchi thanked Washoe Education Association for hosting this meeting. Dave stated Principal for a Day (P4D) and the PiE Champion Awards were a success with packed rooms for both Meet Your Match and P4D Day in Review -- full report upcoming on today's agenda. Dave thanked our generous Board sponsors: Lauren Garfinkel for donating to help with the cost of refreshments; Ann Silver for the venue and donating snacks; Michelle Sanchez-Bickley for coordinating Renown Mack Auditorium, audio/visual, and lunch. Dave also thanked those who volunteered to be matched or event set-up. Mr. Bianchi discussed the passing of Jim Pfrommer, former President of our Board and asked for ideas to memorialize Jim.

2.02 Executive Director's Report

Kendall Inskip announced the birth of Emma James Haggarty to parents Dan and Brittani Haggarty on Sunday, February 24th at 1:45 a.m. Kendall passed around copies of the full-page 'Thank You' ad donated by RGJ for the 2018 Run for Education. She asked the Board to Save the Date for the 2019 Run for Education on Sunday, October 20. Work has already begun with Desert Sky Adventures to shift the races off Sparks Blvd. and further west as there are safety concerns. Kendall reported on the basic plan for the O'Neal Family Foundation funding for Outstanding Educator Awards and asked for a couple more Board members to help choose awardees and thanked Eric and Dave for their assistance on the plan. Kendall lauded Eric Scheetz for donating the purchase of a table for Education Alliance at the Young Professionals Network (YPN) non-profit night. He manned the table and passed out Speak in a Classroom cards. Kendall updated

the Board on dates for Teacher Appreciation Week: Community Donation Day, Friday, May 3 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and, Shop 'Till You Drop, Thursday, May 9 all day and asked for volunteer support for both those days.

Kelli Pennington (Staff) explained after attending Open Meeting Law training at the WCSD, that in the event of legal action involving any business or activity of Education Alliance, all emails are subject to public record and shared WCSD Legal Counsel's recommendation that Directors open a free email account specifically for Education Alliance business.

2.03 Member Reports:

Data Profile: Co-Chair Eric Scheetz stated the 2018 Data Profile is complete but would like to send out one more time to the Board for any last edits, and then have on the consent agenda in March. The 2019 Data Profile template is being updated by WCSD, TMCC and UNR. Eric shared the work intern Kayla Wolfson is conducting to help the P-16 Advocacy Council gather data for the white paper regarding comparative districts across the country.

SkillsUSA Nevada Job Interview Contest sponsored by Education Alliance: Co-Chair Nanette Quitt shared information about this years' Competition at Circus Circus including the date of April 10th and asked for Board of Directors to serve as judges from 8:00 a.m. to about 2:00 p.m.

3. Consent Agenda Items

3.1 Approval of Consent Agenda Item 3.02

3.2 Approval of the Minutes from the January 28, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting

Brent Boynton moved and **Bill Cathey seconded** to approve the Consent Agenda item 3.02. **Motion Passed.** Dave Bianchi, Brent Boynton, Bill Cathey, Melissa Deadmond, Bill Fong, Lauren Garfinkel, Kendall Inskip, Kris Layman, Chris Morgan, Charles Pasillas, Nanette Quitt, Ben Rogers, Michelle Sanchez Bickley, Eric Scheetz, and John Slaughter all voted Yea.

4. Items for Presentation, Discussion, and/or Action

4.1 Presentation on the Current Programs and Activities of the Washoe Education Association ("WEA"), the recognized employee organization for the teachers and counselors of Washoe County School District. Discussion may include a brief description of the membership of the WEA and the way in which the WEA works to impact education during the Nevada State Legislative Session (For Presentation and Discussion Only)

This item was not heard, as Natha Anderson and Tom Stauss were unable to attend.

4.2 Education Alliance Board Member Spotlight – Learning about Individual Board members regarding their path to support education. Member Spotlight: Dave Bianchi

Dave Bianchi gave a brief overview of his interest in education and named some of the boards he's been on and charitable organizations he founded. Kendall thanked him for his service.

4.3 Presentation and Update on the Classroom Speaker Program, including viewing of the promotional video produced by WCSD Communications Department (For Presentation and Discussion Only)

Ben Rogers reported that 76 people have signed up to be classroom speakers, Ben's goal is 200. Ben thanked Eric Scheetz for passing out the speaker cards at the YPN non-profit night. Ben encouraged the group to continue to recruit speakers and said there are more speaker cards in the back of the room. Ben will be putting together a one-page handout for the speakers and one for

the teachers and compose a short survey for both parties. The group discussed the industries/ fields of expertise that are needed. The group discussed canvassing retirement groups and community groups.

4.4 Report on Principal for a ½ Day, February 7, 2019, which may include information related to participation by schools and the community (For Presentation and Discussion Only)

Kendall thanked Dave, Eric, Nanette, Michelle, and her Redfield Community Outreach Coordinators for helping with the events. She gave an update and included supporters by name and statistics on attendance:

Supporters/Donors:

- Reno + Sparks Chamber of Commerce - Event promotion to their members for three months and Meet Your Match location and refreshments
- Renown Health – Day in Review location, lunch, Healthy NV genetic testing certificates – ten to every attendee
- Donations toward refreshments: Lauren Garfinkel on behalf of Panasonic of North America; First Independent Bank; Plumas Bank
- THE ROW – donation of a case of wine
- Savory Catering/Famous Dave’s – Food
- Washoe County – for support of the PiE Champion Awards
- Washoe County School District – videographer for both events

Statistics:

- 96 matches; 88 schools (even Natchez)
- 200 Attendees at both events (standing room only at P4D Day in Review)

Highlights:

- Three Partner in Education PiE Champion Awards were presented for their outstanding partnerships in school and district-wide: Assistance League of Reno-Sparks (AL); The ROW (Circus Circus, Eldorado, Silver Legacy); and NV Energy; Shared thank you card from AL.
- Many principals used this event as an opportunity to strengthen existing PiE partnerships
- Tried Poll Everywhere
- Principals and community leaders documented their experiences on social media platforms using #PrincipalForADay
- Photos taken by participants were collected and shared on Education Alliance social media and showcased at Day in Review; Shout out was given to Jeff Foss, WCSD Videographer

5. Closing Items

5.01 Closing Comments by the Board President or Executive Director

Dave Bianchi thanked Lauren Garfinkel for volunteering to be our spotlight next month. John Slaughter volunteered for May.

5.02 Next Meeting of the Board of Directors: March 22, 2019 will be at Riggins Court

5.03 Public Comment – No public comment.

5.04 Meeting Adjourned 5:15 p.m.

Dave Bianchi, President

Date