# **Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

**September 10, 2015** 

Valrico Academy

13306 Boyette Road

Riverview, FL 33569

Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.

Valrico Academy

Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science

**Orange County Preparatory Academy** 

Bell Creek Academy / Bell Creek Academy High School

Advantage Academy of Hillsborough / Advantage Academy of Hillsborough Middle School

Channelside Academy of Math and Science / Channelside Academy Middle School

## **Present at Meeting**

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Patricia Rogers, Board Chair

Charles Harris, Board Member

Tom Porter, Board Member

Keith Miller, Principal, AAH

David Healy, Parent Liaison, AAH

Suzanne Elder, Principal, CAMS

Emily O'Connor, Parent Liaison, CAMS

Meagan Conwell, Parent Liaison, CAMS Middle

Nicole Duslak, Principal, OCPA

Stephanie Swick, Parent Liaison, OCPA

Dr. Margaret Fahringer, Principal, BCA

Cristina Fuentes, Principal, HAMS

Summer Sewell, Parent Liaison, HAMS

Lauren Herbert, Principal, VLAA

Tiffani Richmond, Area Director

Mike Strader, Project Director

Meeting called to order at 1:30PM by Mrs. Rogers

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mrs. Rogers asked if any person present wished to speak under Public Comment. There were no persons present that wished to speak. Mrs. Rogers asked the Board to review the meeting minutes from the last governing board meeting and approve or amend as needed. Mr. Porter motioned to approve the governing board meeting minutes from May 7, 2015. Mr. Harris seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

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## **Principal Reports**

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CAMS – Mrs. Elder reported an enrollment of 522. The school is focusing on STEM this year and will be holding a Science Olympics along with quarterly STEM projects. The school already held several events such as, Meet the Teacher and BooHoo Breakfast. Upcoming events include Family Math Night, Science Olympics and Student of the Month Breakfast.

HAMS – Ms. Fuentes reported an enrollment of 745. The theme for the year is "Wild About Learning." The school already held several events such as, Meet the Teacher, BooHoo Breakfast, and a Back to School BBQ! Upcoming events include Grandparents Day and a Family Skate Night.

VLAA - Mrs. Herbert reported a current enrollment of 732. The school just received a new sunshade to cover a portion of the basketball courts. The school already held a "Teacher Meet and Greet," a BooHoo Breakfast, a Back to School Night, and a Family Math Night. Upcoming events include a PTSO Fall Festival.

AAH - Mr. Miller reported that Advantage Academy of Hillsborough has a total enrollment of 441 students. The school had a smooth start to the year and already hosted an Open House event. Upcoming events include Student of the Month Awards and a Spirit Week. The PTSO is sponsoring a cookie dough fundraiser. Mr. Miller informed the Board that the elementary school qualifies as a Title 1 school and therefore the school will receive additional funding for student services. Mr. Miller distributed a copy of the school's "Parent-Student-Teacher Compact", a copy of the 2014-2015 Parent Survey and a copy of the 2015-2016 School Improvement Plan. Mr. Miller explained how the School Improvement Plan was developed and discussed the various stakeholders involved in developing the Plan. There was no parent that spoke about the parent student compact.

BCA - Dr. Fahringer reported a total enrollment of 864. The school already hosted an Open House event. Many sports and clubs are already in progress and the Inaugural Football Season is set to start.

OCPA – Mrs. Duslak reported an enrollment of 428. The school has already hosted a "Teacher Meet and Greet," BooHoo breakfast, and two PTSO meetings. Upcoming events include a Student of the Month Breakfast and the second annual Fairytale Bowl.

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#### Regional Director Report

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Mrs. Richmond reported that all schools had a great start to the year. Monthly principal meetings are being held. The first meeting was held on September 8<sup>th</sup>, and this meeting focused on RTI and PMPs. All of the schools have a new math curriculum and the math coach is training the teachers and providing support. The reading coach is also providing support and resources to the reading teachers. All schools are focusing on STEM this year by implementing quarterly STEM projects and integrating STEM across the curriculum.

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### **Information Items**

Mrs. Rogers asked Mr. Strader to present items under section C (information items).

- 1. Mr. Strader reminded the Board that the financial reports go out monthly and asked Board Members to contact Jeannette Merced with any questions.
- 2. Mr. Strader spoke about the Independent Auditor Reports for FY15.
- 3. Mr. Strader gave an update on Sunlake Academy to include the new site which is located a half mile away from the original site.
- 4. Mr. Strader gave an update on Phase two of OCPA to include the contractor placing rain tanks in the playfield to address water issues on the playfield.

- 5. Mr. Strader spoke about establishing an AAH Consolidated Entity to include an AAH Board account.
- 6. Mr. Strader stated that CSA is working with the Regional Director and Principals to ensure Compliance.

#### **Consent Agenda items**

- 1. Approval of purchase orders and agreements
- 2. Approval of personnel items Certification Waivers Exhibit A
- 3. Adoption of 2015-2016 Board Meeting Schedule
- 4. Approve 2015-2016 Student Handbook (s)
- 5. Approve 2015-2016 Faculty / Employee Handbook
- 6. Approve 2015-2016 Principal Assignments
- 7. Approve Board Liaisons 2015-2016
- 8. AAH Title One Report Included discussion of and Handouts of Compact, Surveys, etc.
- 9. Approve Lease Amendment to OCPA lease resulting from site plan changes to improve drainage and contingent upon building phase two
- 10. Approve Lease Amendment resulting from drainage improvements to site for HAMS

Mr. Porter motioned to approve the consent items. Mr. Harris seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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### **Items Scheduled for Action and Discussion**

1. Approve and accept FY 15 Audit Report (Tentative)

2. Approve FY 16 Budget, all schools

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3. Approve Resolution, AAH Consolidated Entity

Mr. Porter moved approval of item 1 of scheduled items for Action and Discussion. Mr. Harris seconded the motion and Mrs. Rogers took a vote. The item passed unanimously.

Mr. Harris moved approval of item 2 of scheduled items for Action and Discussion. Mr. Porter seconded the motion and Mrs. Rogers took a vote. The item passed unanimously. (Pending receipt of OCPA budget)

Mr. Porter moved approval of item 3 of scheduled items for Action and Discussion. Mr. Harris seconded the motion and Mrs. Rogers took a vote. The item passed unanimously.

Mr. Porter requested an updated budget for OCPA. The board reviewed the 2015-2016 budget documents included in the board back-up documents and discussed the need for revised budgets once the enrollments were determined as part of the FTE Survey 3.

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Board Member Reports - No Reports

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned by Patricia Rogers at 2:49 PM