

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

August 3, 2021 at 6:30 pm

Vision: Students prepared for success in a free society, promoting civic responsibility and contributing their talents in a flourishing republic by pursuing beauty, truth, and good.

Mission: Merit Academy will cultivate the minds and nurture the hearts of K-12 youth in the Ute Pass/Woodland Park region with instruction in the principles of moral character and civic virtue, employing honored foundations of classical education and Core Knowledge®.

President Mrs. Nicole Waggoner, with the following Board members in attendance: Mr. John Dill, Mrs. Katie Illingworth, Mrs. Kimberly Porter, and Mrs. Nicole Waggoner. Mr. Jason Ledlie was absent.

II. MEETING

- **a.** No participants were present for public comment.
- **b.** The meeting agenda was amended to add discussion of BOCES loan. Amended agenda was approved by the Board, 4-0.
- c. The consent agenda was approved by the Board, 4-0.
- **d.** Action Item: The board discussed additional curriculum, furniture and technology needs. President Waggoner mentioned the ER BOCES loan for \$50,000 seed funding and discussed terms of no interest and repayment plan. Motion to approve this start-up financing: Dill, Second: Porter. Favor: Dill, Ilingworth, Porter, Waggoner. Opposed: None.
- **e.** The Board discussed developing policies. Dr. Gwynne Dawdy-Pekron gave an update on registration numbers for the school. The Board discussed the anticipated facilities timetable, as well as temporary facility issues.
- III. ADJOURN. Motion by Mr. Dill to adjourn the board meeting, with a second by Ms. Illingworth. Motion carried 4-0, and the meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.