

# Idaho Digital Learning Alliance

Virtual Meeting of the Board of Directors  
3324 S. Milwaukee Lane, Suite 120, Boise ID 83709

October 9, 2023

*Monday, October 9, 2023 @ 10:00 AM*

## Board Members Present

- Lance Hansen
- Brian Lee
- Ryan Cantrell
- Jeff Schutte
- John Stiffler
- Norm Stewart
- Anthony Butler

## Board Members Absent

- Randy Jensen

## Staff Members Present

- Jeff Simmons
- Jeff Farden
- Valerie Doherty
- Ryan Gravette
- Kim Caldrony

## Others Present

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Call to Order, Introductions, and Welcome @ 10:00 AM

## *I. Agenda*

The meeting began at 10:02 a.m.

A motion made to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Brian Lee and seconded by Mr. Anthony Butler. The motion is unanimous.

## *II. Consent Agenda*

1. Approval of the Minutes
2. Expenditures
3. Personnel

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mr. Brian Lee and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion is unanimous.

## *III. Action Items*

1. Fund Balance Policy - 3rd and Final Reading

A motion to approve the fund balance policy, 3rd and final reading as policy was made by Mr. Anthony Butler and seconded by Brian Lee. The motion is unanimous.

2. Library Materials Policy - 3rd and Final Reading

A motion to approve the Library Materials policy, 3rd and final reading as policy was made by Mr. Brian Lee, and seconded by Mr. Ryan Cantrell. The motion is unanimous.

3. Revised Aug 1, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the revised August 1st meeting minutes was made by Mr. John Stiffler and seconded by Mr. Ryan Cantrell. The motion is unanimous.

#### IV. Updates

1. Round Robin Update - All

Board members and IDLA staff provided updates both personal and professional pertaining to their regions, districts, and industries.

2. IDLA Website Update - Mrs. Valerie Doherty

Mrs. Valerie Doherty spoke about the website, where it started, and where it is today. After having a marketing audit conducted some time ago, a company was chosen to do a website refresh- The company, called Brand Craft has revamped the website. The new site is clean and informative and will be live very shortly.

3. Clarity Update - Mr. Ryan Gravette

Mr. Ryan Gravette discussed how the Clarity project aligns with IDLA's strategic goal. The storage occurs in the data warehouse and then pushes out information in many ways. We have received great feedback so far on where we are at. There are 11,500 hours per semester of support. Some new features and reports have been created to save additional time. Reports for schools are live now and are updated every 6 hours. Up-to-date grades can be seen every 6 hours. Schools were very excited about this feature. Such a valuable student pulse marker. There are data nudges in specific areas. By the end of the year, anyone who wants access to it will have access to it. We are nearing the end of the road. Mr. Jeff Simmons commented on how Ryan has done a great job working with Learning Mate.

4. Legislation Update - Mr. Jeff Simmons

Mr. Jeff Simmons met with Representative Petzke and he is willing to run legislation for IDLA. He is very supportive and took classes himself as a student. He is a current member of JFAC, and has carried some very tough budgets. It makes sense for us to move forward with this. Keeping the funding simple and easy to understand, maintains transparency, and is efficient, This formula also gives a bit back but is not harmful to IDLA and slows our growth slightly. Mr. Simmons will continue working with Representative Petzke on a red-line document. There was discussion about co-sponsors on the Senate side. Conversations will continue on funding and IDLA will move forward with this item.

5. Student Enrollment - Mr. Jeff Simmons

Mr. Jeff Simmons provided a breakdown for fall enrollment by Cohort, Credit Recovery,, Elementary, Flex, Hybrid, and Launchpad. There has been an increase in Cohort and Credit Recovery.

6. Student Achievement - Mr. Jeff Simmons

Mr. Jeff Simmons spoke to the Board of a function organized by Mr. Greg Lowe on the 27th of September. All ASL interpreters put on an open house. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and learn. There were 25 students, 4 teachers, and 2 interpreters. They were excited to learn how people who are deaf can still participate in music.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:59 a.m. by Mr. Brian Lee and seconded by Mr. John Stiffler. The motion is unanimous.

## *2023-2024 Board Meeting Dates*

- Tuesday, November 14, 2023 – Face to Face, Boise, 3:00 p.m. MST
- Tuesday, January 16, 2024 – Virtual 11:00 a.m. MST
- Tuesday, February 6, 2024 – Face to Face, Boise, 3:00 p.m. MST
- Tuesday, April 9, 2024 – Virtual, 11:00 a.m. MST
- Tuesday, May 14, 2024 – Virtual 10:00 a.m. MST
- Tuesday, June 11, 2024 – Face to Face, Boise, Noon