

**Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.**

**Channelside Academy of Math and Science**

**Channelside Academy Middle School**

**Valrico Academy**

**Bell Creek Academy**

**Bell Creek Academy High School**

**Advantage Academy of Hillsborough**

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**Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science**

**Independence Academy**

**Orange County Preparatory Academy**

**Sunlake Academy of Math and Science**

**Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

**May 9, 2018**

**Bell Creek Academy**

**13221 Boyette Road**

**Riverview, Florida 33569**

**Present at Meeting**

Patricia Rogers

Charles Harris

Detria Elsner

Mike Strader

Tiffani Richmond

Kerin Casey

Margaret Fahringer

Lauren Herbert

Keith Miller

Janine Swearingin

Jack Burkett

Cristina Fuentes

Brittany Deen

Melonee Ferguson

Summer Sewall

Brian Strader

Meeting called to order at 1:30 PM 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 to approve or amend as needed. Mr. Harris motioned to approve the previous governing board meeting minutes. Mrs. Elsner seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

There were no public comments.

**Principal Reports**

Independence Academy – Mr. Jack Burkett reported an enrollment of 884. Mr. Burkett also shared that they are growing by 58 students in the 2018-2019 school year. IAS reported some exciting activities that the students and staff participated in over the past few months. These activities include Relay for Life fundraiser (the school raised over \$10,000), competing in battle of the books, and students participating in National Student Treasure, where they had the opportunity to publish class books. The school year will finish up with 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion ceremonies and Camp Learn A Lot. Next year, the school is looking forward to celebrating a magical year by inviting the author Lee Crockerell to present to teachers during pre-planning.

Advantage Academy of Hillsborough/Advantage Academy Middle School – Mr. Keith Miller reported an enrollment of 459. Mr. Miller shared highlights from Advantage Academy. The highlights included participating in the Strawberry Festival Children’s Parade, Math Night with Mathnasium, achievements of the basketball teams, Relay for Life fundraiser, and competing in Math League. Students and faculty are looking forward to celebrating an amazing school year with class activities and promotion ceremonies for Kindergarten, 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Title 1 Report- Mr. Miller shared that since they will be consolidated to one school, they will still receive funds under Title 1 in 2018-2019.

Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science – Ms. Brittany Deen reported an enrollment of 745. She shared that a 4<sup>th</sup> grade student received an “Outstanding” award at the district STEM Fair and the HAMS chess club placed 1<sup>st</sup> at the Tri-county tournament. Students at HAMS celebrated Dr. Seuss’ Birthday, 4<sup>th</sup> graders were inducted in NEHS, and Middle School Band members competed at Universal Studios. Ms. Deen shared that they will finishing up the school year with grade level award ceremonies and promotion ceremonies for their Kindergarten and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Orange County Preparatory Academy – Mrs. Melonee Ferguson reported an enrollment of 402. Mrs. Ferguson shared some highlights from the past few months at OCPA. These highlights included 2<sup>nd</sup> graders developing a model of human lungs from recycled materials, student council members volunteered at McDonald House, and participated in NEHS and NJHS inductions. OCPA students are looking forward to the school talent show, spring concerts, Invention Convention, and grade level ceremonies to celebrate a wonderful school year.

Bell Creek Academy/ Bell Creek Academy High School – Dr. Margaret Fahringer reported an enrollment of 948. Dr. Fahringer shared the exciting events happening at BCA over the next month. These events include Senior Spirit Week, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Grad Bash, Senior/Junior Prom, Graduation, and award ceremonies. The school is excited to complete another fantastic school year.

Channelside Academy/ Channelside Academy Middle School– Ms. Cristina Fuentes reported an enrollment of 501. Ms. Fuentes shared the fantastic events happening at Channelside Academy finishing up the school year. These included Bingo & Books, Dave and Busters Mother/Son Event, PTSO silent auction fundraiser, NJHS Induction, and Galileo field study to the court house. CAMS is looking forward to celebrating their students at the Kindergarten, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade completion ceremonies this month.

Valrico Academy – Mrs. Lauren Herbert reported an enrollment of 889. Mrs. Herbert shared that the school had a successful Invention Convention & Art event. Engineering work and artwork was on display for parents to view. They also had a Family Literacy Night, where they invited current and prospective families to celebrate the love of literacy. Valrico is looking forward to finishing up the year with the Boosterthon fundraiser, and Kindergarten and 5<sup>th</sup> grade completion ceremonies.

Sunlake Academy of Math and Science – Ms. Janine Swearingin reported an enrollment of 646. Ms. Swearingin shared that they are projected at 930 students for the 2018-2019 school year. She shared that they held their first Gala and raised \$27,000. They also had a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher nominated by a parent for the Academic in Excellence Award. Sunlake is finishing off their first year with some great events. These events include competing in battle of the books, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade music program, Invention Convention, and Kindergarten completion ceremonies.

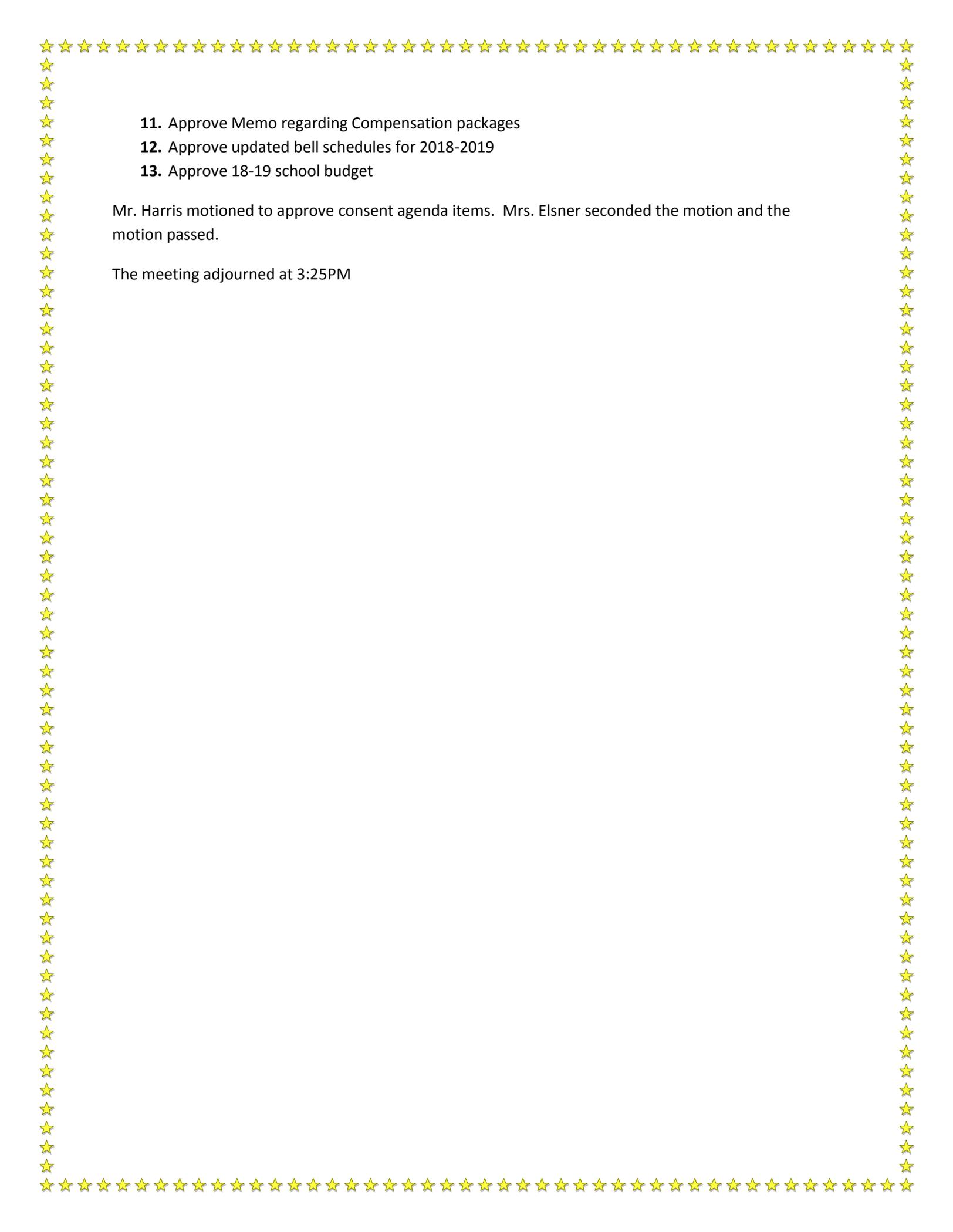
**Information Items**

Mrs. Rogers asked Mr. Strader to present items under section D (Information Items).

1. Mr. Strader reminded the Board that the financial reports go out monthly. Mr. Brian Strader shared that schools have turned around negative balances. All schools under the Advantage Academy of Hillsborough are positive in regards to finances.
2. Mr. Strader shared an update on AdvancED Accreditation Renewal
  - a. Mr. Strader shared that they are considered a corporation renewal.
  - b. The AdvancED committee made two suggestions and a change they wish to see prior to the next visit in 5 years.
3. Mr. Strader discussed FY 18 Audit Engagement Letters.
4. Mr. Strader shared information regarding the Charter Renewals. Application updates have been submitted to the district. Mr. Strader is waiting to hear a date when they will be presented.
  - a. AAH Renewal
  - b. BCA MS-HS Renewal
  - c. HAMS Renewal
  - d. Valrico Renewal
5. Mr. Strader presented information regarding a change to the capital threshold resolution.
6. Mr. Strader shared information on the FY 19 Capital Outlay projection.
7. Mr. Strader explained the legislative updates.
  - a. SB 7026: Safe School Bill- Mr. Strader shared that we are still waiting on updates regarding how the districts are funding the possibility for a school resource officer.
  - b. HB 7055
8. Mr. Strader discussed the AAH potential bond issue scenario analysis.
9. Mr. Strader explained that this is the final year for Form 990 for Independence Academy.
10. Mr. Strader shared the proposed school calendar and bell schedule.
  - a. Principals reviewed the new proposed bell schedule based on district changes.
11. Mr. Strader explained the 2018-2019 School Budget Development.
12. Mr. Strader presented the ESP Management Agreement Renewals and described changes.
13. Other Information Items:
  - a. Mr. Strader shared a draft memo about the faculty and staff compensation packages for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval of purchase orders and agreements
2. Approval of Personnel Items- Certification Waivers- BCA has one waiver
3. Final Approval, FY 18 Audit Engagement Letters
4. Potential Bond Issue Scenario Analysis, authorize further investigation
5. Approve 2018-2019 Capital Threshold Resolution of \$1,000
6. Approve FY 19 Capital Outlay Uses
7. Approve 2018-2019 school calendar
8. Approve 2017-2018 Graduate Roster, BCA HS
9. Authorize Chair to Negotiate ESP Agreement
10. Authorize chair to execute final Charter Renewal Agreements

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- 11.** Approve Memo regarding Compensation packages
  - 12.** Approve updated bell schedules for 2018-2019
  - 13.** Approve 18-19 school budget

Mr. Harris motioned to approve consent agenda items. Mrs. Elsner seconded the motion and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25PM