

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NYOS SCHOOL BOARD**

Thursday, January 14, 2021

THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED BY VIDEO CONFERENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S AUTHORIZATION CONCERNING SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN OPEN MEETING LAW REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COVID-19 DISASTER.

1. Roll Call; Establishment of a Quorum; Call to Order

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Dr. David Molina called the meeting to order at **6:00 PM**

Board Members

Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
Dr. David Molina	Community/Board Chair	X			
Vibha Monteiro	Secondary Parent/Vice Chair	X			
Kari Honea	Elementary Parent/Parliamentarian	X			
Matt Embry	Secondary Parent/Secretary	X			
Shawn Bliss	Secondary Teacher	X			
Donida Garcia	Elementary Teacher	X			
Jennifer Chidsey	Community	X			
Kim Cavett	Elementary Teacher	X			
Alyssa Moore	Community		X		
Mark Smith	Elementary Parent	X			
Elijah Churchill '22	Student	X			
Chris Mink	Secondary Teacher	X			

Staff Members

Kathleen Zimmermann	Executive Director	X			
Joey Thompson	Director of Operations	X			
Julie Atchley	Director of Academics	X			
Hweilu Chen	Director of Finance	X			
Terry Berkenhoff	Elementary Principal	X			
Samantha Gladwell	Elementary Assistant Principal	X			
Jennifer Obenshain	Elementary Assistant Principal	X			
Will Jaramillo	Secondary Principal	X			
Megan Podd	Secondary Assistant Principal				
Kisha Jackson-Thompson	Secondary Substitute Assistant Principal				
Ashwini Patil	Assistant to the Executive Director				

2. Discuss and Approve the Consent Agenda

Item	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Time
a. Minutes for the December 10, 2020 meeting				
b. Financial operations policy review 100.080				
Discussion:				
Motion: To adopt the consent agenda as presented				
Vote Outcome: passes	10	0	0	6:03 PM
Motion: Kari Honea				
Second: Donida Garcia				

3. Discuss and Approve the Regular Agenda

Discussion: Strike 5d				
Motion: To adopt the regular agenda as amended				
Vote Outcome:	10	0	0	6:04 PM
Motion: Vibha Monteiro				
Second: Jennifer Chidsey				

4. Public Comment; Executive Session

James Omiya - Parent - Expressed that a teacher put out a statement via email that was inappropriately politically biased.

Micha Beasley - Student - Expressed support for said teacher.

5. New Business

item a: Advocacy Training, Brandon Garcia, TPCSA

Discussion: Mr. Garcia, the Senior Director for Legislative Agenda from the TPCSA presented on the legislative priorities.

item b: Discuss and vote on contract rules					
Discussion: Dr. Molina presented the interim process for contract ratification pending TEA guidance. Dr. Molina proposed to table for further consideration at a later date.					
Motion: to table for further consideration					
Vote Outcome: passes		10	0	0	6:58 PM
Motion: Vibha Monteiro					
Second: Kari Honea					
item c: Discuss and vote on contract approvals resolution					
Discussion: Kathleen Zimmermann presented the resolution.					
Motion: to approve presented					
Vote Outcome: passes		10	0	0	7:02 PM
Motion: Kari Honea					
Second: Jennifer Chidsey					
item d: Discuss and vote on waiver for asynchronous instruction					
Discussion: Stricken					
Motion:					
Vote Outcome:					
Motion:					
Second:					
item e: Discuss and vote on resolution for extension of Family First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) benefits					
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann presented the resolution to extend these expiring benefits using local resources.					
Motion: to approve presented					
Vote Outcome: passes		10	0	0	7:07 PM
Motion: Jennifer Chidsey					
Second: Vibha Monteiro					
item f: Discuss and vote on changing the seating of new board members to July					
Discussion: Dr. Molina presented on moving the seating of new board members to July, from June and incorporating onboarding procedures.					
Motion: to approve presented					
Vote Outcome: passes		10	0	0	7:16 PM
Motion: Vibha Monteiro					
Second: Kari Honea					
item g: Discuss calendar options for the 2021-2022 school year					
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann presented the calendar options for the 2021-2022 school year.					
item h: COVID update, including vaccines					
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann provided an update related to COVID and vaccinations. Increase in elementary attendance, middle and high school remained at the same levels. Vaccinations are available in the Austin area based upon venerable populations. There is some advocacy for prioritization for teachers in the next available vaccine distribution.					
item i: Executive Director update					
Ms. Zimmermann provided an update on the following: AISD letter to families about remote education due to campus spread, NYOS is monitoring. COVID positivity rate is rising in school age population. Staff is utilizing new resources and tools to help with remote instruction. Charter school regulatory priorities, common applications, renewal and expansion, bilingual instruction, contracting.					
6. Committee Reports					
a. Academic Oversight					
i. TEA accountability Domain III	Moved to next meeting.				
ii. Annual ESL report	Moved to next meeting.				
iii. Updates on HB3 goals	Moved to next meeting.				
iv. 2020 TAPR report	Ms. Atchley provided a summary of the 2020 TAPR report and answered questions.				
b. Board Development					
i. Accountability Training	Remaining required. CEC hours sessions split into two 1 hour sessions, will be separate from the board meeting, but				
c. Executive Committee					
i. On-Boarding	Dr. Molina provided a summary of the actions the committee is considering and presented an emerging onboarding plan.				

d. Financial Oversight			
i. Attendance, Enrollment and Cash Position	Attendance rate is at 95%; Enrollment is 1079; Cash Position is stable		
	Fundraising goals are being exceeded at this point.		
	There is a possibility for a new PPP loan.		
e. Nominations Committee Update			
	Link for nominating board members is live, looking for new committee member that is a community or parent member.		
f. Property Development Committee Update			
	Agreement to sell Kramer portables; loan disbursement has begun.		
g. Succession Committee Update			
	Editing some documents, working with executive committee.		
7. Closing			
Item a. Discuss items for next meeting			
Domain III and ESL report, contract rules (5b), expansion amendment notice discussion, form 990			
8. Adjournment			
Discussion:			
Motion:	to adjourn		
Vote Outcome:	passes	10	0
Motion:	Jennifer Chidsey		
Second:	Vibha Monteiro		
The meeting Adjourned at	8:35 PM		
Certification			
These minutes represent a true and accurate account of the regular Board Meeting of NYOS Charter School held on Thursday, January 14, 2021			
<hr/> Matt Embry Secretary			