

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
NYOS SCHOOL BOARD
Thursday, April 8, 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				
Mark Smith	Elementary Parent	X			
Elijah Churchill '22	Student				
Chris Mink	Secondary Teacher	X			

Staff Members

Kathleen Zimmermann	Executive Director	X			
Joey Thompson	Director of Operations	X			
Julie Atchley	Director of Academics				
Hweilu Chen	Director of Finance	X			
Terry Berkenhoff	Elementary Principal	X			
Will Jaramillo	Secondary Principal	X			

2. Discuss and Approve the Consent Agenda

Item	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Time
Minutes from March 4, 2021				
Financial operations policy review 100.200				

Discussion: no discussion

Motion: to accept as presented

Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously

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Motion: Vibha Monteiro

Second: Mark Smith

3. Discuss and Approve the Regular Agenda

Discussion: No changes in the agenda

Motion: to accept as presented

Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously

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Motion: Jennifer Chidsey

Second: Chris Mink

4. Public Comment; Executive Session

There were no members of the public wishing to comment

5. New Business

item a: Recognize Matthew Hausmann, National Merit Scholar Finalist.

Discussion: Mr. Jaramillo spoke about the accomplishments of student Matthew Hausmann who has made it to the finalist level of the National Merit Scholar competition. Matthew has been at NYOS since kindergarten.

item b: Discuss and vote on resolution to approve phone system upgrade.

Discussion: Mr. Thompson explained the need and the procurement process for a phone system upgrade.

Motion: to accept as presented

Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously

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Motion: Vibha Monteiro

Second: Kim Cavett

item c: Discuss and vote to ratify resolution for Hertz furniture purchase.				
Discussion: Mr. Thompson explained the process utilized to decide on the furnitur and the decision to buy all the frurniture for the new buildings at once This resolution will cover the entire purchase.				
Motion: to accept as presented				
Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously		10	0	0 6:13 PM
Motion: Vibha Monteiro				
Second: Donida Garcia				
item d: Discuss and vote on resolution to continue to require mask-wearing and other COVID protocols.				
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann presented an overview of recommendations of the TEA regarding mask wearing and COVID protocols for the remainder of the school year.				
Motion: to accept as presented				
Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously		10	0	0 6:16 PM
Motion: Jennifer Chidsey				
Second: Vibha Monteiro				
item e: Discuss and vote on waiver for staff development minutes.				
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann discussed the waiver for staff development minutes, the waiver will cover the next two school years.				
Motion: to accept as presented				
Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously		10	0	0 6:18 PM
Motion: Vibha Monteiro				
Second: Chris Mink				
item f: Review Student Code of Conduct.				
Discussion: The Board discussed the code of conduct. No changes reccommended.				
item g: Discuss Elementary CIP update.				
Discussion: Ms. Berkenhoff presented an overview of the progress towards the elementary Campus Improvement Goals for the school year.				
item h: Discuss progress toward goals for the new campus.				
Discussion: Ms. Zimmermann presented on the progress of the new campus construction, financing, and hiring.				
item i: Executive Director Update				
Update: Ms Zimmermann updated the Board on The changes in administration at the TEA Charter Divison 50% staff vaccination rates On site matriculation: 50% elementary; 11% secondary The status of federal covid relief/stimulus awarded to states for schools. The legislature is still working on this.				
6. Committee Reports				
a. Academic Oversight:				
i. Working on putting together a dashboard, reviewing academic growth data.				
ii. Academic cohort data analysis.				
b. Board Development				
i. Preview of the new board member orientation.				
ii. HRS overview presentation.				
c. Compensation Committee Update				
i. Work is continuing on compensation.				
d. Executive Committee Update				
i. Onboarding and offboarding work; succession.				
e. Financial Oversight				
i. Discuss and vote on contract approvals resolution.				
Discussion: Resolution was provided prior to meeting, no discussion.				
Motion: to accept as presented				
Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously		10	0	0 7:37 PM
Motion: Kari Honea				
Second: Vibha Monteiro				
ii. Liability insurance - the declaration page is on the board drive for review.				
iii. Enrollment: 1077; Attendance 96%; Cash position stable				
f. Nominations Committee				
i. Prospective board members participated in a panel discussion prior to tonight's meeting.				
g. Samatva Committee Update				
i. Focus was on examining staffing diversity, also looked a STARR data.				
h. Succession Committee Update				
No update				

Executive Session				
The School Board entered executive session at 7:41 PM in accordance with Texas Government Code				
Section § 551.074 Deliberations about personnel matters				
to discuss the performance goals of the Executive Director				
Board returned from executive session at 7:57p				
i. Discuss goals for the Executive Director				
No discussion or action taken on the results of executive session				
7. Closing				
Item a. Discuss items for next meeting				
Election, prospective board member bios will be sent out prior; preliminary budget; fundraising report; parent and staff survey results; compensation committee; legislative update.				
8. Adjournment				
Discussion: Dr Molina called for a motion to adjourn				
Motion: to adjourn				
Vote Outcome: passes Unanimously				
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Motion: Jennifer Chidsey				
Second: Vibha Monteiro				
The meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM				
Certification				
These minutes represent a true and accurate account of the regular Board Meeting of NYOS Charter School held on Thursday, April 8, 2021				
<hr/> Matt Embry Secretary				