

SAMS ACADEMY

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Special Meeting of the SAMS Academy Governing Council on
Thursday, May 28 2020

Via Zoom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Larry Kennedy, Roland Dewing, Farrah Nickerson, Mike Romo, Alex Carothers, and LyDawn Blount

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Ed Smith

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Coreen Carrillo, Nathan Hardin, Alice Chavez, Bridget Barrett, Kelly Callahan

PUBLIC

Ken Lairsey, Abril Cera-Ramirez, Stephanie Tuttle, Paula Gonzales, Elizabeth Scharrer, Charles Ellis, Sarah Orton, Ivan Ramirez, Lauren Chavez, Jonathan Garcia, Malissa Aranda, Jose Garcia, Donya Johnson, Carol Jester, Leah Yates, Leeanne Carr

These minutes were approved on 6-25-2020

By a vote of 5 yes 0 no 2 absent 0 abstained

Larry Kennedy President
Roland Dewing Secretary

I. Call to Order

Larry called to order the Special Meeting of the Governing Council for the Southwest Aeronautics, Mathematics, and Science Academy on May 28, 2020 at 8:31AM on Zoom.us.

A. Roll Call

Larry asked Jill to call roll. Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount. Alex Carothers was absent during roll call. Ed Smith was absent

B. Adoption of the Agenda*

Larry asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Farrah made a motion to approve the agenda. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the agenda; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Review/Approval of Minutes from April 16, 2020 Meeting*

Larry asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 16 regular meeting. Farrah made a motion to approve the minutes. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the minutes from the April 16 meeting; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Review/Approval of Minutes from May 8, 2020 Special Meeting*

Larry noted a typo in the next scheduled meeting under Announcements. Larry asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from the May 8 special meeting. Farrah made a motion to approve the minutes. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the May 8 minutes; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

II. Closed Session

A. Limited personnel matters, pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) and matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to pending or threatened litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7).

Larry made a motion to move to closed session due to limited pursuant to NMSA 1978, section 10-15-1(H)(2) and matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to pending or threatened litigation in which the public

body is or may become a participant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7). Farrah seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to move into closed session; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

The governing council moved to closed session at 8:37AM.

**Alex joined the meeting at 8:40AM.*

III. Open Session

A. Action on matters discussed in Closed Session

Larry made motion to move back into open session and affirmed that only items on the agenda were discussed. Farrah seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to move back into open session; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Open session resumed at 8:53 AM.

No action was taken.

IV. Ongoing Business Matters

A. Aviation Program Update

Nathan reported the following:

* He has flown the C-172 three hours to keep the plane moving.

* Ground classes have wrapped up.

* The SIM sale is waiting final approval.

* Approval for Nathan Hardin to speak to PEC about extending flight time for graduating seniors*

Nathan presented a form asking the governing council to continue flying the 4 seniors, that have now graduated, that had been flying previous to schools shutting down. This form gives permission to fly and for Nathan to present this matter to the PEC. The PEC will make the final decision. Larry called for a motion. Alex made a motion to approve flying can continue with graduated seniors and Nathan can present to the PEC. Mike seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve extending flight time for the seniors; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

V. Governing Council Development

A. Presentation from Kelly Callahan PCSNM

Kelly gave the governing council an update on their training hours. A total of 10.5 hours have been accumulated and will be given to the CSD. Kelly has also finished the review of the policies and will have them ready for presentation at the June meeting. She also said she is available for training in the next school year if the board is interested.

VI. New Business Matters

A. ESSER/CARES Act Application*

- Budget Bar for Fy2020
- Budget amount for FY2021

Larry asked Coreen to discuss this application. Coreen said this grant is from the federal government in response to COVID-19. SAMS has been granted \$41,000. She said it can be used for technology, PPE, or cleaning supplies to prepare for another COVID-19 outbreak. The BAR will be approved in the finance section. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to approve the ESSER/CARES Act application. LyDawn seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the ESSER/CARES Act application; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Bus Contract for FY 2021*

Coreen presented the contract with the APS bus company. Larry called for a motion. Roland made a motion to approve the Bus Contract. Alex seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the bus contract with APS; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

C. IDEA B Application*

Coreen asked Alice to talk about this application. Alice told the board that the money from IDEA-B will be used to pay our special education coordinator. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to approve the IDEA-B Application. Mike seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the IDEA-B application; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Title I Application*

Alice presented this application as well. Alice said this money will be used to pay for a part of EA salaries. Title I supports students that are at-risk. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to approve the Title I application. Alex seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the Title I Application; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

E. Title II Application*

Alice said the money from Title II will be used to provide the teachers and head administrator money for professional development and/or tuition reimbursement. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to approve the Title II application. Alex seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the Title II application; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

F. Public Input on FY2021 Budget

Larry said they will now hear public input from anyone who would like to share. He reminded everyone that the public comment needs to pertain to the FY21 budget only. The following made public comment:

- Carol Jester, Kenneth Lairsey, Stephanie Tuttle, and Charles Ellis
- Questions were concerning: the positions of network administrator, program and data coordinator, assistant principal, and counselor; different line items; and how the budget was built.

G. FY2021 Budget*

Larry asked Coreen about the process to develop the FY21 budget. Coreen explained that she didn't feel she had been involved in the budget process. She said she would not approve the proposed FY21 budget. She suggested that Kelly Callahan could potentially be a mediator between herself and Bridget, as the new head administrator. Larry said the budget approval could be moved to the special meeting on Monday, June 1st. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to table the approval of the FY21 budget until Monday, June 1. Alex seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve tabling the budget approval until June 1; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, LyDawn Blount, and Alex Carothers. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. Administrative Update

Coreen gave the following updates and information.

A. End of School Year Wrap Up

Students have finished the semester and some have extensions. Some students are also taking summer school courses. Teachers did a good job adapting to the new learning environment.

B. Returning Student Data

Coreen said there are 250 students on the roster for the 2020-2021 school year.

C. Graduation, Friday, May 29, 2020 at 7PM at SAMS Academy

Coreen asked Jill to present about graduation. Jill reminded the board about what they will be doing at graduation on May 29th. Five board members will be present at graduation.

**Alex left at 9:56AM*

VIII. Finance Report

A. Business Office Operation Update

Alice reported that the finance committee met before the board meeting. She also reported:

* Revenues are 85% of budget.

* Expenditures are 50.2% of the budget

B. Voucher Approvals*

Larry said that the Finance Committee recommends the check register. Larry called for a motion. Mike made a motion to approve the vouchers. Farrah seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve extending flight time for the seniors; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Budget Adjustment Requests*

BAR 38-I: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 38-I. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 38-I. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 38-I; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah

Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 39-IB: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 39-IB. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 39-IB. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 39-IB; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 40-I: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 40-I. Roland made a motion to approve BAR 40-I. Farrah seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 40-I; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 41-M: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 41-M. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 41-M. Mike seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 41-M; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 42-M: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 42-M. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 42-M. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 42-M; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 43-I: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 43-I. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 43-I. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 43-I; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

BAR 44-D: Larry called for a motion to approve BAR 44-D. Farrah made a motion to approve BAR 44-D. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve BAR 44-D; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Permanent Cash Transfer for Fund #27128*

Alice explained that there was an RfR from the previous business manager group that had not been taken care of and needed to be cleaned up. This permanent cash transfer will clean that item up. Larry called for a motion. Farrah made a motion to approve the permanent cash transfer. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to approve the permanent cash transfer; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo, and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

IX. Announcements

A. Date for next Regular SAMS Academy Governing Council Meeting

The next regular meeting will be June 18, 2020 at 8:30AM on zoom.

There will be a special meeting on Monday, June 1, 2020 at 4PM on zoom.

X. Adjournment*

Larry called for a motion to adjourn. Farrah made a motion to adjourn. Roland seconded the motion. Larry called for a roll call vote to adjourn the meeting; Jill called Larry Kennedy, Farrah Nickerson, Roland Dewing, Mike Romo and LyDawn Blount. All voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

The special meeting of the Governing Council for the Southwest Aeronautics, Mathematics and Science Academy adjourned on May 28, 2020 on zoom at 10:08AM.