



ACADEMY FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA
VIRTUAL MEETING on ZOOM
Tuesday, March 30, 2021
6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.*, notice of this meeting has been publicized by having the date, time and location of the meeting posted at the school, on the school web site and advertised in the Home News Tribune which has been designated as the Board's official newspaper within the legal time required. Time will be allotted for public comment at this meeting.

II. FLAG SALUTE

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

III. MISSION STATEMENT

To employ an educational design and experience that merges the highest standards of academic excellence while fostering convictions and commitment to social and economic justice. The school acknowledges that both family and community involvement are integral to the student's academic achievement level, and will focus on fostering strong relationships between the school, family and community. Through these partnerships, the school will strive to create a nurturing environment by providing each student with the five resources deemed necessary for healthy child development by the President's Summit for America's Future. These include: a one-on-one relationship with a caring adult, a safe place to learn and grow, a healthy start, a marketable skill through effective education, and a chance to give back to peers and the community.

In order to provide a quality education, the curriculum offered will involve rigorous academics with a holistic approach to education. Special emphasis will be placed on service learning and espousing the importance of civic and social responsibility. The development of character, leadership skills, conflict resolution abilities, and community responsibility will be stressed to provide the students with the necessary tools to become contributing members of a democratic society.

IV. ROLL CALL

Board Members:

Lisette Vilanova (President)
Joshua Bishop (Vice President)
Jorge Cruz (Corporate Secretary)
Angelo Abreu

Claudine Bishop
Hector Bonilla
Elba Ceballo
Eloisa Hernandez
Reyes Ortega
Michelle Roman
Stephanie Valdiviezo

Additional Attendees:

Dr. Mario C. Barbieri (Interim Lead Person)
Peter Salek-Nejad (Supervisor of Curriculum)
Gail Long (BA/Board Secretary)
Patricia Bombelyn (Board Attorney)
Douglas Kelly (Vice-Principal)

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Move that the Board of Trustees approve the regular meeting minutes from February 24, 2021.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

The Board would like to recognize the following Honor Roll students:

1ST HONORS

Alfonzo De La Rosa, Yadilka A.
Baskerville, Dylan
Calderon, Gustavo
Cepeda, Nicole
Francis, Benjamin
Gonzalez, Luis
Grullon Martinez, George
Jaquez Ventura, Pamela M.
Louis, Joedy
Marrero, Lizbeth
Marshall, Angelina
Mejia Diaz, Jailyn
Molina, Noah
Romero, Mia
Rosario, Lia Marie
Ventura Bueno, Jaslen
Wright, Tiffany

2ND HONORS

Abreu Garcia, Gabriela
Almonte Abreu, Johanny
Facey, Ricardo
Feliz, Rachel
Franco, Sergio
Gutierrez Suriel, Daryne M.
Mendez, Michael
Pena Mejia, Anabel
Rodriguez, J'Nyahlis
Sabess German, Stanley R.
Vinas Duran, Omelvin

PRINCIPAL'S LIST

Acevedo Villaman, Joneisha
Franco, Perla
Manzueta Grande, Orlando
Marmolejos Brito, Robeyssy S.
Munoz, Mariella
Saldana, Jesika

The Board would like to recognize the following staff members for the efforts in coordinating the vaccination effort for our teachers:

School Nurse: Ada Pineiro
School Nurse: Susan Komosinski
Executive Assistant to the Lead Administrator: Luis Vargas

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President invites members of the public to present any comments to the Board (limited to 3 minutes)

VIII. LEAD REPORT – Dr. Mario Barbieri

1. Reorganization Plan
2. Re-Opening Plan

Enrollment: 490 students

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Academic Excellence Committee - Hector Bonilla
- Human Resources and Recognition Committee – Michelle Roman

- Finance and Facilities Planning Committee – Jorge Cruz
- Executive Committee – Lisette Vilanova

X. MOTIONS – Consent Agenda

The Interim Lead Person recommends the following items for approval:

a. Academic Excellence & Educational Equity

1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the field trip funded by the 21st Century grant:
 - Location: Warren Park, Perth Amboy, NJ
 - Date: Friday 4/26/2021
 - Teacher: Saad Syed
 - Cost: \$124 park fee

2. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the revised reopening plan

b. Human Resource and Recognition

1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the following job descriptions:
 - Lead Teacher
 - Director of Special Programs

2. Move that the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of Board Trustee and Finance Committee Chairperson, Jorge Cruz effective 4/30/2021.

3. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the Security Guards to work in the Afterschool program funded by the 21st Century grant at a rate of \$30 per hour
 - Stephanie Rojas
 - Remee Barber
 - Pablo Puntiel

4. Move that the Board of Trustees approve stipends for the following school activities for the 2020/2021 school year:

National Honor Society	Saad Syed	\$500
Student Government	Timothy Gigl	\$1,000

c. Finance and Facilities

1. **Move** that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the revised Board Secretary’s (A148) Report and Treasurer’s (A149) Report, for the month ending October 31, 2020. Be it further resolved, that

the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the certification of funds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of October 31, 2020 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

2. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the revised Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending November 30, 2020. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the certification of funds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of November 30, 2020 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

3. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the revised Board Secretary's (A148) Report and Treasurer's (A149) Report, for the month ending December 31, 2020. Be it further resolved, that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, approve the certification of funds, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3, that as of December 31, 2020 no budgetary line item account has encumbrances and expenditures which in total exceed the line item appropriation in violation of 6A:23A16.10(a).

4. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary approve the transfer of funds for November 2020.

5. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary approve the transfer of funds for December 2020.

6. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the Interim Lead Superintendent approve the Budget for the period from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022.

7. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary approve the Bill listing and payrolls from 2/25/2021 – 3/30/2021

i. Warrants Feb. 25, 2021 – Mar. 30, 2021	\$243,900.72
ii. Payroll Register February 26, 2021	\$268,552.07
iii. Payroll Register March 15, 2021	\$251,474.11
iv. Payroll Register March 30, 2021	\$279,784.74
v. Warrants 08407 to 08412 & N1277	\$128,345.73
Total	\$1,172,057.37

8. Move that the Board of Trustees upon the recommendation of the Interim Lead Superintendent approve semi-annual certification of funds for employees whose salaries are funded 100% from federal grants.

d. Executive Team

1. Move that the Board of Trustees adopt the following policy which was first read at the 4/29/2020 Regular Board Meeting; and the second reading was approved at the 7/8/2020 Special Board Meeting:

P0152 Board Officers (Revised)-Option 1

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Public bodies may meet in closed session when the matters under discussion are:

- (1) Matters made confidential by state, federal law or rule by court.
- (2) Disclosure would result in an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy, unless the person affected consents in writing.
- (3) Disclosure would impair the body's right to receive federal or state funds.
- (4) Collective bargaining.
- (5) Lease or acquisition of property, setting of banking rates, investment of public funds if disclosure would harm the public interest.
- (6) Investigations into violations of law.
- (7) Strategies to protect public security. Pending, ongoing or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation, including attorney-client privilege. The threat of litigation must be more than theoretical for this exemption to apply.
- (8) Personnel matters affecting employees of the public bodies, unless all parties request or consent to a public hearing. Prior to discussion of personnel, affected employees must be given notice, known as a Rice notice, which gives the employee the right to request a public hearing.
- (9) Proceedings that could result in a suspension, civil penalty, or loss of a license or permit.

Discussion Items:

Attorney Client Privilege

XII. OTHER MOTIONS

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President invites members of the public to present any additional comments to the Board.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT