



ACADEMY FOR URBAN LEADERSHIP
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
VIRTUAL MEETING on- ZOOM
July 8, 2020

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM and presided over by Lisette Vilanova.

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 have 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)

Present

Joshua Bishop (Vice President)	Present
Jorge Cruz (Corporate Secretary)	Present
Angelo Abreu	Present
Claudine Bishop	Excused
Hector Bonilla	Present
Elba Ceballo	Present
Eloisa Hernandez	Present
Reyes Ortega	Present
Michelle Roman	Present
Stephanie Valdiviezo	Present

Additional Attendees:

Margaret Morales (Lead Person)	Present
Gail Long (Board Secretary)	Present
Patricia Bombelyn (Board Solicitor)	Present
Douglas Kelly (Vice-Principal)	Present
Peter Salek-Nejad (Supervisor – Curriculum/Instr)	Present

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None were approved

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

None received

VII. OTHER REPORTS

- Board President's Report – Lisette Vilanova spoke about a Stakeholder Committee for the reopening of school in the fall. She asked if the administration had measurements of all of the classrooms. There was a brief discussion about obtaining the size of all classrooms to be able to determine how many students could safely be in the rooms given social distancing guidelines. Mr. Kelly shared the information he had about measurements in the middle school and about his future plans which included two cohorts of students. The Board was also interested in the surveys which were distributed to the staff and the parents. They wanted the feedback, but they also wanted to know what questions were asked. Ms. Vilanova mentioned plans to have a Board Retreat which would include a refresher on Board business and which would focus on three topics: 1. General Board conduct, 2. The charter, 3. Board Calendar.
- Lead Person's Report – Ms. Morales gave a report. She was pleased to report a successful school close which included a virtual graduation for students in grade 8 and grade 12. She said that we are still doing Adopt a Student and while most seniors had been "adopted" some were not. She encouraged those in attendance to adopt some of those students with the goal being that all students were "adopted". The report also included information on the start of summer school (7/6), and the 21st Century grant which included virtual credit recovery and enrichment.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Lou Vargas, Assistant to the Lead Administrator mentioned that English Honors class was added to the offerings of the 21st Century summer program. Over forty classes would be offered including classes from the 21st Century.

The Lead Person recommends the following items for approval:

IX. Motions - Consent Agenda

Remove from Consent Agenda under Academic Excellence item # i. and under Finance and Facilities item # i.1.

Motion Items: Academic Excellence item # ii. Which was amended to include the words “All Staff” for the CAR Curriculum and the GSuite Level I Training; Human Resources and Recognition items i. through iii., and Executive Team items i. & ii.

Motion: Eloisa Hernandez, Second: Jorge Cruz; Roll Call Vote:

Lisette Vilanova: Yes; Joshua Bishop: Yes; Jorge Cruz: Yes; Angelo Abreu: Yes; Hector Bonilla: Yes; Elba Ceballos: Yes; Eloisa Hernandez: Yes; Reyes Ortega: Yes; Michelle Roman: Yes; Stephanie Valdiviezo: Yes. Motion Passed

a. Academic Excellence & Educational Equity

- ii. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the following Professional Development: (In the event a change of date should occur and provided that only the date is changed, the administration can approve the date change after informing the Executive Committee):

<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount Not to Exceed</u>
Jamali, Munira	July 28 – 30, 2020	Lewes AP Summer Institute	Online 8am – 4 pm	\$1,855; course \$895; stipend \$960
Askins, Ian	July 27 – 30, 2020	AP Summer Institute	Online 8am – 4 pm	\$2,175; course \$895; stipend \$1,280
Sweatte, David	August 3 – 7, 2020	BC Summer Computer Science Institute	Online 8:30am – 5:00 pm	\$1,775; course \$75; stipend \$1,700
	July – August 2020	CAR – Connected Action Roadmap Curriculum	Online	\$19,400; training \$5,000; teacher stipends \$14,400
	July – August 2020	GSuite Level I Technology Trng.	Online	\$32,150; training \$950; stipends \$31,200

b. Human Resource and Recognition

- i. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the additional teachers for the Summer program, subject to enrollment and attendance:
 Bushey, Nicholas
 Cutiella, Josephine

Page, Dean

- ii. Move that the Board of Trustees appoint the following Teachers, subject to successful criminal history review:

Name	Title	Period	Salary	Replacing
Gogol, Ryan	World Language	9/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$60,000	MD
Kohn, Robert	MS Math	9/1/20 – 6/30/21	\$55,000	YD

- iii. Move that the Board of Trustees accepts the resignations effective June 30, 2020:
 Mukherjee, Deblina, Science Teacher
 De los Santos, Alex, PE Teacher

c. Finance and Facilities

d. Executive Team

- i. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the second reading for the following policies:

P0152	Board Officers (Revised)-Option 1
P1581	Domestic Violence (Revised)
P2422	Health And Physical Education (Revised)
P3421.13	Postnatal accommodations(New)-
P4421.13	Postnatal accommodations (New)
P 5330	Administration of Medication (Revised)
P7243	Supervision of Construction (Revised)
P8210	School year (Revised)
P8220	School day (Revised)
P8462	Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children (Revised)

- ii. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the second reading for the following regulations:

R 1581	Domestic Violence (New)
R 5330	Administration of Medication (Revised)
R 8220	School Closings (Revised)

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President invites members of the public to present any additional comments to the Board. There was no public comment, but the Board members had a brief discussion on the progress with the reopening plan.

XI. CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL RESOLUTIONS

- i. Move that the Board of Trustees approve the addition to the 21st Century Summer Program, subject to enrollment and attendance.

**Motion: Hector Bonilla, Second: Michelle Roman; Roll Call Vote:
Lisette Vilanova: Yes; Joshua Bishop: Yes; Jorge Cruz: Yes; Angelo Abreu: Yes; Hector Bonilla: Yes; Elba Ceballo: Yes; Eloisa Hernandez: Yes; Reyes Ortega: Yes; Michelle Roman: Yes; Stephanie Valdiviezo: Yes. Motion Passed**

- i. Bill list
 - 1. Move that the Board of Trustees approve:
 - a. Fund 10 General Warrants List for:
 - i. June 25, 2020 through June 30, 2020 in the amount of \$43,828.57
 - b. Payroll Report for:
 - ii. June 30, 2020 for \$357,739.51

TABLED UNTIL NEXT MEETING

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Vilanova asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Eloisa Hernandez, Second: Joshua Bishop

Voice Vote: All in Favor 9, Any Opposed 0

Board meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Long
Board Secretary