ESPIRITU SCHOOLS

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday May 27, 2021

1:30 PM.

4848 S. 2nd Street Phoenix, AZ 85040

The Board meeting will be held via Zoom.

I. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

A. Call to Order and Roll Call

Bertha Gutierrez called the meeting to order at 1:43 pm.

Bertha Gutierrez – Board Chair
Marisa Lopez– Member arrived at 2:23PM
Rosemary Cardenas – Member
Armando Ruiz – Member
Frances Castillo – Not Present

Others Present:
Armando Ruiz Jr. – Finance Director
Marlene Sharp – Business Manager
Alexis Montoya – Board Secretary
Rosalva Lopez – School Servant Leader
Laura Cami – ELA Coordinator
Anastacia Europa – Chief Operating Officer
Israel Diaz – CDC Board Member
Tracy Decker- Walker and Armstrong
Curtis Bright- Walker and Armstrong
Craig Hay – Medical Benefits Representative
Diana Calderon - School Servant Leader
Michelle Ramirez
Michelle Medina
Debra McGowan
Rosanna Blackson

B. Board Adoption of Meeting Agenda

Marisa Lopez made the motion to adopt the meeting agenda. Rosemary Cardenas seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

C. Board Approval of March Meeting Minutes

Marisa Lopez made the motion to approve the march meeting minutes. Rosemary Cardenas seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

II. CONSENT AGENDA

B. Adopt School Calendar

Rosemary Cardenas made the motion to adopt the consent agenda. Armando Ruiz seconded the motion Passed 4-0

III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. Financial Reports.
Armando Ruiz Jr. presented the financial reports for the month of February.

Marisa Lopez made the motion to adopt the monthly financial report. Rosemary Cardenas seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

B. Medical Benefits
Craig Hay presented the new benefits for this year.

Rosemary Cardenas made the motion to adopt the proposed Benefits Package. Marisa Lopez seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

C. Revise Procurement policy
Armando Ruiz Presented the revision to Amend the procurement policy so that it would align to our original charter.

Marisa Lopez made the motion to adopt the procurement policy. Rosemary Cardenas seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

D. SY21 Retaining Students policy
Anastacia Europa presented.

Rosemary Cardenas made the motion to adopt the SY21 retaining student's policy. Armando Ruiz Sr. seconded the motion. Passed:4-0

E. Mask Policy/ Follow CDC Guidelines
Armando Ruiz Sr. Presented that we will continue to follow CDC Guidelines.

Marisa Lopez made the motion to adopt the Mask Policy/Follow CDC Guidelines. Rosemary Cardenas seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

A. Walker & Armstrong Annual Audit Report
Tracy Decker and Curtis Bright presented for the Annual Audit Report and reported no material weaknesses.

B. Future of Aim Higher campus
Armando Ruiz and Diana Calderon presented that Aim Higher will be located at the RMR campus Great Hall for 7th and 8th graders.

C. Remote learning
Armando Ruiz presented that there is one additional meeting needed prior to adopting a new policy.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION
There were no items scheduled.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Call to the Public
Ms. Berg- More in person student's vs remote learning.
Mr. Tarr- Frustrated with remote learning. No control of the environment.
Mr. Rowe- Keep remote learning as a second option
Rosanna Blackson- Remote learning should be available to students but there needs to be set expectations.
Debra McGowan- 100% encourage in class learning

Karli- Smith- AI certifications needed for remote learning

VII. CLOSING ITEMS

A. Summary of Current Events, Future Meeting Dates And Items For Future Agendas
The date of the next board meeting will be Wednesday June 9th at 10:30AM

B. Adjournment
Rosemary Cardenas made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Marisa Lopez seconded the motion. Passed: 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.