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# LISA FOUNDATION

## BOARD MEETING

**Date** : November 13, 2024 (Wednesday)

**Time** : 6:15 PM

**Location** : LISA Academy, District Office

## AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence
3. Attendance and quorum
4. Staff recognition (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek*)
5. Opportunity for the public to be heard and recognition of visitors

General Guideline for this part of Agenda:

- Speaker should list the topics they wish to address with the board prior to the beginning of the meeting.
- Each speaker is given a maximum of 5 minutes to address the Board.
- The Board's response to the speakers' comments is limited.

The Board President reserves the right to monitor this portion of agenda and move to the next agenda item if necessary.

### Action Agenda

6. Consideration of approval of previous minutes of October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 board meeting
7. Consideration of adoption of November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 board meeting agenda
8. Consideration of approval of amendment to student handbooks (*Presenters:*
  1. *Bethany Ratermann and Hasan Sazci*
9. Consideration of approval of letter of intent to purchase LISA Academy Hybrid school building (*Presenter: Muammer Guven*)
10. Reviewee and discuss LISA Academy schools annual report detailing progress toward goals, accreditation status, & proposals to correct deficiencies (*Presenters: Agam Altyyev, Emrah Turkmenoglu, and Hasan Sazci*)



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11. Student Disciplinary Hearing (*Presenters: Angela Ward and Emrah Turkmenoglu*)

### **Information Agenda**

- 12. Survey results (*Presenter: Bethany Ratermann*)
- 13. Financial report and current budget status (*Presenter: Mikail Abdullah*)
- 14. Academic report (*Presenter: Dr. Agamyrat Altyyev*)
- 15. Advisory board president's report (*Presenter: Ken Keplinger*)
- 16. Superintendent's report (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek*)
- 17. Closing remarks and adjournment

*The mission of LISA Academy is to provide an academically rigorous college preparatory program, in partnership with students, families, and the community, and guide all students in gaining knowledge, skills, and the attitude necessary to direct their lives, improve a diverse society, and excel in a changing world by providing dynamic, resource-rich learning environments.*



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## BOARD MINUTES

### LISA FOUNDATION

### BOARD MEETING

**November 13, 2024 (6:15 PM)**

**LISA Academy District Offices  
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#### **1. Welcome and Call to Order**

These are the regular meeting minutes of the board of directors of LISA Foundation, (referred to as "Foundation") a non-profit corporation. This meeting was held on Nov 13, 2024. This meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Ms. Dawson.

#### **2. Pledge and Moment of Silence**

Riley, a student from LISA Springdale, led the attendees in the pledge and a moment of silence.

#### **3. Attendance and Quorum**

The following members of the board were present in person: Ms. Dawson, board president. Ms. Miller, Dr. Celebi. Dr. Ararat joined virtually. Dr. Ensari joined in person from the LISA Rogers-Bentonville location. A quorum was present. Also attending, and representing LISA Academy; Dr. Fatih, Ms. Ratermann, Mr. Turkmen, Mr. Mikail, Ms. Ward, Mr. Guven, Dr. Sahin, Ms. Simmons, Dr. Bakisli, and Mr. Hasan.

Members of the public in attendance were; Ms. Kim Trell and Ms. Michelle Beasley.



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#### **4. Staff Recognition (Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek)**

On behalf of LISA and the school board, Dr. Fatih presented the communications team with a plaque for their outstanding service planning and hosting the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

#### **5. Opportunity for the public to be heard and recognition of visitors.**

Ms. Beasley explained she is a parent from LISA North Middle school and a member of the PTIO group. She was following up on her funding request for VEX materials from the previous meeting. Dr. Fatih explained that there was a conclusion and that it would be emailed to her.

Ms. Trell explained she is a parent from LISA North High School and vice president of the PTIO group. She expressed concern over communication with parents being timely enough to make plans. Dr. Fatih invited her to stay and hear the survey results from the community where communications feedback was collected as well. Ms. Dawson added that these survey results are being analyzed by the staff, and recommended that all encourage families to share their feelings so appropriate actions can be created to address concerns.

#### **Action Agenda:**

#### **6. Approval of previous minutes of Oct. 9, 2024 board meeting**

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the minutes of the Oct. 9, 2024 board meeting, the motion was seconded and all in attendance voted in favor. It was noted Ms. Miller had stepped out at this time and not present for this vote.*

#### **7. Adoption of November 13, 2024 board meeting agenda**

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to adopt the agenda for the November 13, 2024 board meeting, the motion was seconded and all in attendance voted in favor. It was noted Ms. Miller had stepped out at this time and not present for this vote.*



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**8. Approval of an amendment to the student handbooks (Presenter: Bethany Ratermann and Hasan Sazci)**

Ms. Ratermann presented 3 updates to the student handbooks. She explained that the behavior update to reflect phone free initiative would update two handbooks. Clarification to allow onsite testing and more emphasis on online in the hybrid handbook. Then the final update to lottery preference information in all handbooks.

Some discussion was held around consistency in the language in existing policies and Dr. Fatih clarified there would be no formal language change for hybrid just more advertising and messaging focus.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the amendments as presented, the motion was seconded and all in attendance voted in favor. It was noted Ms. Miller had stepped out at this time and not present for this vote.*

**9. Approval of letter of intent to purchase LISA Academy Hybrid school building (Presenter: Muammer Guven)**

Mr. Guven explained that the hybrid building is for sale. The facilities team has engaged in preliminary conversations with funding organizations for this purchase and plans to sustain funding due to this support. Mr. Guven explained that the price is fair, and how the purchase will help the overall budget financially.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve letter of intent to purchase LISA Academy Hybrid school building, the motion was seconded and all in attendance voted in favor. It was noted Ms. Miller had stepped out at this time and not present for this vote.*



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**10. Review and discuss LISA Academy schools' annual report detailing progress toward goals, accreditation status, and proposals to correct deficiencies (*Presenter: Dr. Agamyrat Altyyev, Emrah Turkmenoglu and Hasan Sazci*)**

Dr. Agam shared the ATLAS district report detailing achievement. The presentation showed comparisons between schools and subjects as well as grades when comparing LISA performance against Arkansas state averages, and local communities.

There was some discussion about the definition of EOC. Mr. Turkmen clarified the acronym as well as which students take this exam. There were additional questions about virtual school performance in other districts as well. Dr. Agam shared a comparison and highlighted the availability of the report on the LISA website.

Dr. Agam shared the annual report as well. The packet he mentioned, is a summary of academic work from 23-24 school year. He also highlighted the exemplary performance of students to achieve the seal of biliteracy already this year and growth each year.

The board did not take a vote on this item, but encouraged the team to keep up the good work.

**11. Student Disciplinary Hearing (*Presenter: Angela Ward and Emrah Turkmenoglu*)**

Ms. Dawson read the purpose and procedures to the audience aloud. The family were then asked if they preferred a public or private hearing. The family chose private.

*At 7:14pm the Board went into private session for the purpose of expulsion hearing.*

*At 7:38pm the Board went into executive session for the purpose of discussing expulsion recommendation.*

*At 7:55pm the Board returned to public session.*



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*Dr. Ararat made a motion to approve the recommendation of expulsion and modify the dates of expulsion to end the summer of 2025, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor.*

**Information Agenda:**

**12. Survey Results (Presenter: Bethany Ratermann)**

Mrs. Ratermann shared a presentation showing the summary results from the fall parent and guardian survey that was sent out in October. She highlighted that each building administration received all answers from families indicating their child attends their buildings. These results would be analyzed and action plans made to address concerns by building leaders. Ms. Ratermann also shared staff and faculty survey results from the same time. Again she highlighted each building's reports were shared with building leaders.

The board noted that there was a concern around staff meetings, and recommended structuring meetings where most important items could be covered at the beginning to allow staff to leave early. Ms. Ratermann took a note to share with leaders on this item.

**13. Financial Report (Presenter: Mikail Abdullah)**

Mr. Mikail shared the monthly board report and highlighted the monitoring of the budget.

**14. Academic Report (Presenter: Dr. Agamyrat Altyyev)**

Dr. Agam's report was shared during earlier item

**15. Advisory board president's report (Presenter: Ken Keplinger)**

This item was tabled.

*Cynthia A. Dawson*



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#### **16. Superintendent's Report (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek*)**

Dr. Fatih explained that LISA is the recipient of the high impact tutoring grant (HIT) for another year, the Verizon Wireless grant, and that Charter School Growth Fund is a potential financial supporter and they will do onsite visits Dec 3 and 4<sup>th</sup>. He reminded the board about annual 6-hour training requirement and to submit completion certification.

There was some discussion about the effect of grants on the budget. Dr. Sahin explained that there are several ways that these will help the budget and Dr. Fatih added potential legislative actions may change funding formula as well.

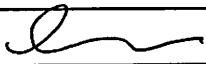
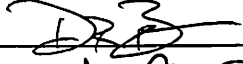
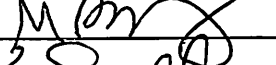
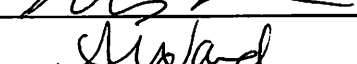
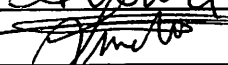
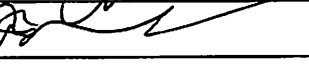
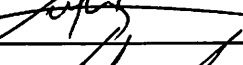
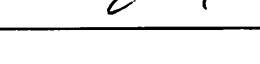
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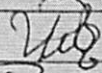
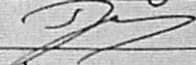
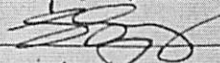
Ms. Dawson thanked everyone for their attendance.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to adjourn and the motion was adjourned at 8:26pm.*

## LISA Academy Board Meeting

DATE: November 13, 2024

| #  | Name                     | Position                          | Signature                                                                             |
|----|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Dr. Fathi Baagela        | CEO                               |    |
| 2  | Muhammad Kura            | Sr. Director of Research and Eval |    |
| 3  | Devin Bates              | Attng                             |    |
| 4  | Michele Beasley          | Parent                            |    |
| 5  | Kimberly Zrell           | Parent                            |    |
| 6  | Sup Roq                  | AD/PR                             |    |
| 7  | BKafar                   | Director                          |    |
| 8  | Angela Ward              | Director                          |    |
| 9  | Dr. Bakisli              | Principal                         |    |
| 10 | Josh & Ashley Williamson | parents                           |    |
| 11 | Enroln Turkmen           | Sr. Director                      |    |
| 12 | Dr. Necati Sahin         | Asst. Sup.                        |   |
| 13 | Mikail Abdullah          | Sr. Dir. of Finance               |  |
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| LISA Academy Board Meeting (NWA) |                |                                | DATE: November 13, 2024                                                             |
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| #                                | Name           | Position                       | Signature                                                                           |
| 1                                | Tolga Ensari   | Board member                   |  |
| 2                                | Doug Enay      | DAD (Rylee)                    |  |
| 3                                | Heather McLeod | MOM (Rylee)                    | Heather McLeod                                                                      |
| 4                                | Rylee McLeod   | Ambassador - Springdale Campus | Rylee McLeod                                                                        |
| 5                                | Hagan Saei     | Assistant Superintendent       |  |
| 6                                | Mahmut KOCA    | LISA Rogers Principal          |  |
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