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# LISA FOUNDATION

## BOARD MEETING

Date : September 13, 2023 (Wednesday)

Time : 6:15 PM

Location : LISA Academy, District Office

## AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Attendance and quorum
3. 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.*

### Consent Agenda

4. Consideration of approval of 2023-24 federal programs assurances and authorizing the superintendent to sign the assurances (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek and Murat Ozpinar*)

### Action Agenda

5. Consideration of approval of previous minutes of August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 board meeting
6. Consideration of adoption of agenda September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 board meeting
7. Consideration of approval of amendment to the salary schedule (*Presenter: Dr. Necati Sahin*)

8. Consideration of approval of contract with Kendall, Prebola and Jones, LLC for Employee Retention Tax Credits (ERTC) application (*Presenter: Necati Sahin and Mikail Abdullah*)
9. Consideration of approval of 2022-23 annual financial report and 2023-2024 budget including special education budget (*Presenter: Mikail Abdullah*)
10. Consideration of approval of additional therapy services contracts (*Presenter: Maria Foshee*)

### **Information Agenda**

11. Financial report and current budget status (*Presenter: Mikail Abdullah*)
12. Academic report (*Presenter: Agamyrat Altyyev*)
13. Advisory board president's report (*Presenter: Ken Keplinger*)
14. Superintendent's report (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek*)
15. 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.*

## **BOARD MINUTES**

### **LISA FOUNDATION**

### **BOARD MEETING**

**Sept. 13, 2023 (6:15 PM)**

**LISA Academy District Offices  
10825 Financial Centre Parkway  
Little Rock, AR 72211**

#### **I. 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 September 13, 2023, at the LISA Academy District Offices. This meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Cindy Dawson.

#### **II. Attendance and Quorum**

The following members of the board were present: Ms. Dawson, board president attending in person. Joining virtually was Dr. Ensari, board member, Dr. Celebi, board member, and Ms. Miller, board member. A quorum was present.

Also in attendance; Ms. Ward, Mr. Agam, Mr. Hasan, Mr. Turkmen, Dr. Fatih, Ms. Ratermann, Dr. Sahin, Mr. Mikail, and Mr. Konac representing LISA Academy staff. Mr. Richard Jones was also present virtually.

The agenda and supporting materials were circulated to the members of the board.

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

No members of the public wished to speak

#### **Consent Agenda**

#### **IV. Approval of 2023-24 federal programs assurances and authorizing the superintendent to sign the assurances (*Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek*)**

Dr. Fatih explained this annual process required by the Department of Education to comply with regulations as set forth by DESE. The approval would authorize the signing and would be submitted to the department afterward.

No discussion from the board on this item.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the 2023-24 federal programs assurances and authorize the superintendent to sign the assurances, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor.*

### **Action Agenda**

#### **V. Approval of previous minutes of Aug. 16, 2023 board meeting**

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the minutes of the Aug 16, 2023 board meeting, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0.*

#### **VI. Adoption of agenda Sept 13, 2024 board meeting.**

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the agenda for the Aug. 13, 2023 meeting, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0.*

#### **VII. Approval of the amendment to the salary schedule (Presenter: Dr. Necati Sahin)**

Dr. Sahin presented details around difficulties finding qualified applicants for the speech therapist position, so an increase in the multiplier for this position was proposed and a decrease in the overall stipend to accommodate. A change was approved for change in title "Cluster Director" to "Regional." Also a separation of ESL and SPED certification for general education teachers to receive additional stipend.

The board asked clarifying questions regarding implementation and methodologies.

*Ms. Miller made a motion to approve the amendment to the salary schedule as presented, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0.*

#### **VIII. Approval of contract with Kendall, Prebola, and Jones, LLC for Employee Retention Tax Credits (ERTC) application (Presenter: Dr. Necati Sahin)**

Dr. Sahin explained how the ERTC works for schools in general in regards to impacts as a result from COVID. Mr. Jones explained further details about the process to apply for the ERTC and how funds can be used. He also explained his background and process to get to this point.

The board asked Mr. Jones questions about timelines, fees, and overall clarity of process. Mr. Jones then clarified additional details including consultations with school auditor and legal representatives to assure all points have been clarified.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the contract with Kendall, Prebola, and Jones LLC for Employee Retention Tax Credits (ERTC), the motion was seconded and all voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0.*

#### **IX. Approval of 22-23 annual financial report and 23-24 budget including special education budget (Presenter: Mikail Abdullah)**

Mr. Mikail review the 22-23 budget data and difference in planned values versus actual. He explained reduction in Title 1 funding, nutrition, and highlighted the amount in new construction. He then discussed new plan to support 23-24 budget and reduced expenditures.

*Dr. Celebi made a motion to approve the 22-23 annual financial report and 23-24 budget including special education budget, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor.*

#### **X. Approval of additional therapy services contracts (Presenter: Agam Altyyev)**

Mr. Agam explained that the ultimate goal is to provide all therapies in-house, however temporarily additional outside service is necessary in NWA. Jump Start Pediatrics proposal was provided to board members and he highlighted payment rates and services. Dr. Fatih clarified that this was only for NWA.

Ms. Miller made a motion to approve the additional therapy service as presented, the motion was seconded and all voted in favor.

#### **Information Agenda**

#### **XI. Financial report and current budget status (Presenter: Mikail Abdullah)**

Mr. Mikail explains that the budget is due to DESE by Sept 30 and it will be submitted prior to that deadline. He shared the financial report and highlighted the need for the beginning of the year expenses for teacher needs and school start-up materials. No questions were heard from the board

#### **XII. Academic Report (Presenter: Agam Altyyev)**

Mr. Agam shared the Holistic report for each building and demonstrated how it can be broken down into classroom-level teacher data. The report includes special services for each student receiving services, test data, attendance, discipline, gradebook, and RTI placement. Dr. Fatih highlighted the necessity of this to see the whole picture of each scholar at a glance.

#### **XIII. Advisory Board president's report (Presenter: Ken Keplinger)**

Mr. Keplinger was not able to attend so this item was tabled.

#### **XIV. Superintendent Report (Presenter: Dr. Fatih Bogrek)**

Dr. Fatih explained enrollment is strong in most grades, but going a bit slower than projected at Hybrid. Reminded everyone that the Grand Opening of Fayetteville will be October 6 and requirements for school board training hours are due by the end of the year.

Some discussion was held around the enrollment at the Hybrid campus.

#### **XV. Closing remarks and adjournment**

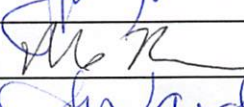
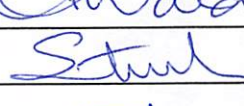
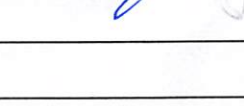
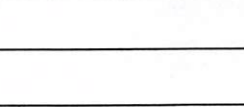
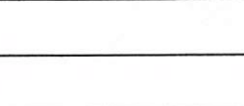
Ms. Dawson thanked the members for their time and attention.

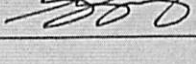
Ms. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting; was adjourned at 7:20pm.

*Cynthia A. Dawson*

## LISA Academy Board Meeting

DATE: September 13, 2023

| #  | Name             | Position                    | Signature                                                                           |
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| 1  | Dr. Fatih Bozrek | Superintendent              |  |
| 2  | Agam Altyev      | Sr. Director                |  |
| 3  | Ms Rattermann    | Sr Director                 |  |
| 4  | Angela Ward      | Sr Director                 |  |
| 5  | Emrah Turkmen    | Sr. Director                |  |
| 6  | Murat Kocac      | Asst Director of Purchasing |  |
| 7  | Mikail Abdullah  | Dir. of Fin.                |  |
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| LISA Academy Board Meeting (NWA) |              |                          | DATE: September 13, 2023                                                           |
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| #                                | Name         | Position                 | Signature                                                                          |
| 1                                | Tolga Enjari | Board member             |   |
| 2                                | Emre Celebi  | // //                    |   |
| 3                                | Hasan Sazci  | Assistant Superintendent |  |
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