

Diego Hills Central Public Charter School

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Operated by Diego Plus Education Corporation, A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation

Date and Time Thursday January 5, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Location

Meeting Link:

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MEETING LOGISTICS

This meeting is held in compliance with Assembly Bill 361, which allows flexibility in Brown Act teleconferencing procedures as addressed by the Board under Agenda Item I.E. The public is encouraged to participate in the meeting telephonically by dialing the conference line or by clicking the weblink listed on the posted agenda. The public may submit written comments to the Board by emailing publiccomments@dhcentralcharter.org. The public may also provide comments telephonically during the "Public Comment" section of the meeting agenda.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Please see the "Accommodations" notice below.

Directors Present

Carol Stanford (remote), Ruth Escarcega Newell (remote), Susan Alderson (remote), Victoria Hancock (remote)

Directors Absent

Jacqueline Reynoso

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Board President Newell read aloud the notices regarding meeting logistics and accommodations.

Ruth Escarcega Newell called a meeting of the board of directors of Diego Hills Central Public Charter School to order on Thursday Jan 5, 2023 at 4:00 PM.

B. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Secretary Stanford led the pledge of allegiance.

D. Staff Introductions

Jeff Brown, CEO Jeri Vincent, Corporate Secretary Lindsay Reese, Area Superintendent Joy Taylor, Director of State and Federal Programs Jeff Martineau, V.P. of Charter Relations Bill Thompson, Legal Counsel Pete Faragia, CEO, LLAC Michelle Lopez, Legal Counsel, LLAC

E. Adopt Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361

Jeff Martineau discussed Assembly Bill 361, signed by Governor Newsom on September 16, 2021, and explained that the law exempts the board from certain provisions of the Brown Act related to teleconference meetings during states of emergency, as long as the Board makes required findings as detailed in the law. Under AB 361, boards that would like to continue to meet remotely must determine by majority vote whether as a result of the state of emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. Mr. Martineau directed the board members to the resolution located in their packet and recommended the board approve the Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

Carol Stanford made a motion to adopt Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361. Victoria Hancock seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Susan AldersonAyeJacqueline ReynosoAbsentRuth Escarcega NewellAyeCarol StanfordAyeVictoria HancockAye

F. Approve Agenda for the January 5, 2023, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors

Susan Alderson made a motion to approve Agenda for the January 5, 2023, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors. Victoria Hancock seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll CallSusan AldersonAyeRuth Escarcega NewellAye

Roll CallCarol StanfordAyeVictoria HancockAyeJacqueline ReynosoAbsent

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

Board President Newell read the following announcement for members of the public:

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not the item is on the agenda, by dialing the teleconference line or by clicking the weblink listed on the posted agenda. The time allotted per presentation will not exceed three (3) minutes, except in the case where a member of the public utilizes a translator, in which case the time allotted will not exceed six (6) minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, no action may occur at this time, but it is the Board's prerogative to hold a brief discussion, provide information to the public, provide direction to staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting.

Board President Newell asked if there were any members of the public who wished to offer public comment. There were no members of the public who offered public comment or submitted written comment.

III. School Reports and Information

A. Title I Program Evaluation for SY 2021-2022 Report

Lindsay Reese greeted the board and introduced Joy Taylor, Director of Federal and State Programs. Ms. Taylor explained the school's Title I program supports the literacy program for students who struggle with academic performance and need additional intervention programs and support personnel to effectively address their learning gaps. Ms. Taylor explained the federal funding is directed towards hiring literacy teachers who will implement research-based educational strategies and help students improve their academic performance metrics.

Ms. Taylor then reviewed the effectiveness of the school's literacy intervention program for SY 2021-22 and explained the school is continuing with the program this school year and extending the intervention outreach services so that all TAS students complete an intervention program and provide individualized support to help students achieve their goals.

Next, Ms. Taylor discussed parent participation in the PAC and ELAC meetings and survey responses for SY 2021-22. Ms. Taylor explained for SY 2022-23, the school will offer varying meeting times to accommodate parent schedules, extended meeting times to thoroughly discuss all information being shared, and use a variety of methods to reach parents and guardians.

Ms. Taylor then asked the board for any feedback or questions.

Board Member Hancock discussed the low parent participation rate and suggested that parents who are happy with the program may not see the need to participate.

Board Member Alderson asked how many years this program has been in place. Ms. Taylor informed the board they had a teacher who started about 12 years ago who started with the READ 180 program and then, a few years later, they hired a literacy teacher, which allowed them to split up the students into two groups. Ms. Taylor informed the board that with the Title I funds, they have been able to hire a paraprofessional to further enhance the program.

Board President Newell thanked Ms. Taylor for her report.

B. Annual Lifelong Learning Administration Corporation (LLAC) Services Report

Pete Faragia, CEO of Lifelong Learning Administration Corporation (LLAC), presented the 2021-2022 Annual Report to the Board of Directors. The presentation described the services provided to the school by LLAC during the 2021-2022 school year. Mr. Faragia reviewed the services and accomplishments of each division within LLAC including the Educational Products and Services Division, Facilities and Safety Department, Technology Services Department, External Affairs Department, Charter Affairs Department, People Services Division, and the Finance Division.

Board President Newell thanked Mr. Faragia for his report.

IV. Additional Corporate Officers and Board Members' Observations and Comments

A. Observations and Comments

Jeff Brown thanked Mr. Faragia for his report and the hard work of his staff.

Jeri Vincent thanked Mr. Faragia for his presentation and expressed her gratitude for his support.

V. Closed Session

A. Adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: Area Superintendent Victoria Hancock made a motion to adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session. Carol Stanford seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Carol StanfordAyeRuth Escarcega NewellAyeSusan AldersonAyeJacqueline ReynosoAbsentVictoria HancockAye

B. Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open Board meeting

Susan Alderson made a motion to adjourn closed session and reconvene to open Board meeting. Carol Stanford seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll CallRuth Escarcega NewellAyeJacqueline ReynosoAbsentSusan AldersonAyeVictoria HancockAyeCarol StanfordAye

C. Report of action taken or recommendations made in closed session, if any

Board President Newell stated no action was taken in closed session for the following:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: Area Superintendent

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Regular Board Meeting Date: January 26, 2023, 4:00pm

B. Adjourn Meeting

Carol Stanford made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Victoria Hancock seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Jacqueline ReynosoAbsentCarol StanfordAyeSusan AldersonAyeRuth Escarcega NewellAyeVictoria HancockAyeThere being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded
and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Carol Stanford

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