



A California nonprofit public benefit corporation

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2024, 6:30 P.M.

Location: 575 W. Altadena Drive, Altadena, Ca. 91001

Instructions for Presentations to the Board by the Public

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2. "Request to Speak" forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of "Oral Communications." You may specify that you wish to speak on an agenda item by completing the form before the meeting is called to order. Note: Special meetings do not include Oral Communications, but members of the public may still speak to agenda items, as during regular meetings.
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- 6. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and adhere to the time limits.
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1. PRELIMINARY

1.1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at: 6:40 pm

ROLL CALL	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mari Bennett		X
Javier Guzman	X	
Trinity Jolley		X
Jeiran Lashai	X	
Elsie Rivas Gómez	X	
Student Member: Jonatan Shatzmiller		X
Student Member: Madelyn Brake		X

1.2. Core Practice

1.3. Guiding Principle: Integrity is everything

2. COMMUNICATIONS

2.1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

Parent 1 - Wanted to thank McFeat and the board for their dedication to the community. Last couple of weeks have been difficult about a decision that was made. Some parents have had positive experiences and some have had negative experiences. The parent wants the community to unite and be stronger together.

Parent 2 - Is excited about the new direction the school is headed but isn't sure what direction and vision the school is headed to and would like more clarity on that and the search for new site directors.

For the concern about what direction the school was headed, the Charter Renewal is the staple of what the school is about and it won't change.

3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 3.1. Approval of Board Minutes: 01-25-24 & 02-11-24
Motion to approve Consent Item 1: Lashai. Second :Guzman.
In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez
- 3.2. Approval of December Bank & Credit Card Statements
- 3.3. Approval of Amazon December Statements
Motion to approve Consent Item 3.2 & 3.3: Lashai. Second :Guzman.
In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez
Questions about Elite Gaming and Cross Country
- 3.4. Approve Consent to Frostig Master Agreement
Motion to approve Consent Item 3.4: Lashai. Second: Guzman.
In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4.1. Financial Report Update - Charterwise
Went over budget timeline FYE 2023-2024 and 2024-2025,
Governor's proposal for next year.
- 4.2. Assistant Site Directors' Reports. (May include: curriculum & instruction;
equity, diversity, & inclusion; events & community; student achievement &
support; professional development)
 - 4.2.1. ASL - Ross
Giving thanks to staff and community during this transition
Field trips happened to Discovery Cube and hiking.
Black history Month - Featuring Arts.
How students celebrated 100 days.
PD for adults with trauma and PD with advisors on math.

Students produced a school newspaper.

4.2.1.1. Support for TK + Kinder - Still ongoing
Playground still needs support
Has a PBIS professional to help
There will be more IA training

4.2.1.2. Upcoming events - Read a thon

4.2.2. AGLA - Flitsch

Grateful on how the staff has stepped up. SKIES PD for advisors on how to interact with students.

Arts Bridging the Gap is bringing hydro towers.

Guskin has a sketch comedy that is student driven.

Elite gaming involves video games that are STEAM based.

Basketball has started. 8th graders went to WOLF ROP.

School lottery happened on February 17th. Progress reports are going out.

4.2.2.1. Externship Program - Hammerli

81 students actively participating in the program.. Students are at local businesses in Altadena and Pasadena. Roll out has been complicated. Would like more communication on a larger and individual scale with parents. A parent concern was brought up and that issue has been taken care of.

4.2.2.2. Recruitment

4.2.2.3. Upcoming Events

Motion for a 10 minute: Rivas Gómez. Second: Guzman - 8:45 pm

Reconveyed: 8:56 pm

4.3. Executive Director's Report. (May include: C & I; equity, diversity, & inclusion; events & community; student achievement & support; professional development; human resources; facilities; operations; finance)

4.3.1. Support Plan for ASL + AGLA - McFeat will be at ASL Monday-Thursday and at AGLA on Friday's. Will meet with parents/community whenever they need to meet.

4.3.2. Site Director Search - Is in process and the consultant is putting together steps which will be shared with the community. They will have panelists at each campus where the candidates will be able to tell them more about themselves.

4.3.3. Staff Support - Is there to support staff in any way they need it.

4.3.4. Aveson Independent Study Academy - ASL has 4 advisors and AGLA has 1. Shared employee helps transport students on the bus. Shared IA for homeschool and in class students.

4.3.5. Aveson International Sports Academy - Full time advisor that is also a coach. Part time coaches and skills coach. Also is looking into other gyms.

4.3.6. Flex Studies - There are a handful of students in the program. One student had a powerful experience and spoke about it at the rechartering. Dr. Markwongnark is invited to the next board meeting to share.

4.4. LCAP Mid-Year Monitoring Report for the 2023-24 school year

4.4.1 ASL - McFeat gave explanation.

4.4.2. AGLA - McFeat gave explanation.

4.5. ACO Report - Purcell-Jones

Thank you for the relationship. Bringing back June Jubilee. Working hard to make advisors feel appreciated. Questions from parents about spending. Would like to be able to drill into each site's spending. Would like Dr. M., to come to a meeting. Would like to know what the plan for the future of the schools is.

Goldman-Wang

April is Disability Neurodivergent month at both campuses.

Families helping families are being formed. Putting a pantry together to help families.

5. ACTION ITEMS

5.1. Approve Oregon Construction Contract (auditorium ASL)

Motion to approve Action Item 5.1: Guzman. Second: Lashai.

In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez.

This contract is to remove ceiling tiles and other work in the auditorium.

5.2. Approve 2022-23 Audit Report

Motion to approve Action Item 5.2: Guzman. Second: Lashai.

In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez.

Report on our 2022-23 audit.

5.3. Approve MOA for LA County Parks

Motion to approve Action Item 5.3: Guzman. Second: Lashai.

In favor: Guzman, Lashai, Rivas Gómez.

This is to reserve the park for graduation and other events we may need.

6. CLOSED SESSION - 10:04 pm

6.1. Employee Performance Evaluation. Title: Executive Director. Pursuant to paragraphs (1-4) of subdivision (b) of Section 54957 - Nothing to report out on.

7. ADJOURNMENT : 11:01 pm

Posting Certification: I, Ian McFeat, Executive Director of Aveson Charter Schools, certify this agenda was posted at each school's front office and aveson.org on or before Monday, February 19th, 2024 at 5pm.

