



## Minutes

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AVESON CORPORATION

Zoom Virtual Meeting [Zoom Link](#)

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**August 27, 2020**

**5:00 P.M.**

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**I. PRELIMINARY**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 5:05 pm.

**B. ROLL CALL**

	Present	Absent
Bridgette Brown	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>
Elsie Rivas Gómez	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>
Javier Guzman	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>
Jeiran Lashai	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>
Kat Ross	<u>  xx  </u>	<b>Arrived at 5:30</b>
Rob Dell Angelo	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>
Trinity Jolley	<u>  xx  </u>	<u>      </u>

Core Practice

Guiding Principle: Vision means seeing what could be and what will be and living the difference.

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Public comments were offered by Glen Mitchell, asking the board if the Aveson mission statement applies equally to black students as it does to all the other students. He also commented to identify the constitution of our faculty and board that is representative of our community, especially black people, and to report back on both. Abigail commented about netiquette between ASL and AGLA, and asked why was the decision made to have video on during the school session and if there is an open mind to possibly change that decision in the interest of equity for all. David Clark commented as an advisor he has had students that don't want their video on and asked why the reasoning behind the policy and if it's to hold older kids accountable. Keith commented that they were looking into the concern.

**Open session concluded at 5:25**

**The meeting will now convene to a closed session to discuss the following matters described in Section III.**

**III. CLOSED SESSION - entered at 5:30**

A. Conference with Legal Counsel - Special Education Settlement- ASL  
 Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9

Number of cases: 1 - Closed session ended at 6:02

**IV. PUBLIC SESSION**

- A. **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION:** The meeting was reconvened to open session at 6:02\_\_.
- B. **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION:**  
*Motion to approve: Dell Angelo. Second: Ross. Third: Guzman. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.*

**V. PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA**

- A. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
1. Approval of Board Minutes: 6/18/20, 8/6/20, 8/15/20
  2. Approval of Check Register: June and July 2020
  3. Approval of Credit Card Statements: Capital One & Amex paid in April and June and July 2020
  4. Approval of Consolidated Applications
  5. Approval of EPA Funds (Prop 30)
  6. Approval of Annual Notification
  7. Approval of Bell Schedules- ASL & AGLA (Revised 8/2020)
  8. Approval of Student/Family Handbooks-ASL & AGLA

Motion to pull Consent item 8 to Action item 5.

*Motion to approve: Rivas Gómez. Second: Ross. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.*

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Dell Angelo. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.*

B. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Executive Directors' Reports

*Topics Include:*

- *Employment / Human Resources / Professional Development*
- *Curriculum & Instruction*
- *Student Achievement & Support*

- *Operations - Food Services, Facilities*
- *Events & Community*

The Board discussed the format desired for ED's reports

  - i. ASL - Eva presented
  - ii. AGLA - Keith presented

Rivas Gómez would like to direct the staff to communicate with the board next week about how many students are not in touch with the school. Rivas Gómez asked about enrollment at both schools. Keith reported AGLA was down and Eva reported ASL was down except for ACIS. Rivas Gómez asked how diverse the committee was going to be. Keith responded they were reviewing applications. Trinity suggested that Aveson should consider an opt out form for video during school.

Ten minute recess at 7:19 *Motion to approve: Rivas Gómez, Second: Brown. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*  
The meeting was reconvened to open session at 7:30.

## 2. Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion

- i. Joint ACS Board and ACS School Leadership listening session on race, hosted by Dr. Boro.

A date and time needs to be scheduled for the Board and Leadership to attend with the families.

- ii. Professional Development

Rivas Gómez suggested that the ED's should put together a Google form survey to have the advisors self report about what professional development they did that's related to equity, diversion, and inclusion.

- iii. Equity + Diversity Strategic Action Plan Committee

The next meeting is to have the team in place. This is going to be moved to an Action Item at the next meeting.

- iv. Demographic Analysis

A graph was presented about diversity with staff and students and how well the school is aligned. Rivas Gomez suggested that having a stronger and a diverse team to look at applications for the position they want to fill. Ross suggested that the ED's should reach out to the staff of color to participate in this process.

### 3. ACO Report

Ross reported about the new AGLA Co-President, Barbara Brown as the liaison to ACL, a new program ADHOC to survey community to form PODS, new families mentorship program, Parent Ed-night coming, Parent Mental Health in October. Lashai asked if the Parent Ed-night is open to the community.

### 4. Board Member Terms of Service

- i. Elsie Rivas Gomez-currently on 2 year term of service (Expiring June 30, 2022)
- ii. Rob Dell Angelo-currently on 1 year term of service (Expiring June 30, 2021)
- iii. Bridgette Brown- currently on 1 year term of service (Expiring September 24, 2020) - Would like to stay on another year term 2020/2021
- iv. Trinity Jolley- currently on 1 year term of service (Expiring September 24, 2020) - Would like to stay on another year, but if need to resign, will do.
- v. Javier Guzman - Agreed to 1 year term
- vi. Jeiran Lashai - Agreed to 1 year term
- vii. Kat Ross - Agreed to 1 year term

### 5. Financial Update

- i. FY 20/21 Forecast Update

Charterwise tabled to present at the next board meeting.

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Brown. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

Charterwise presented the Unaudited Actuals

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Lashai. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

## C. ACTION ITEMS

### 1. Approve Vendor Contracts for FY 2020-21

- i. Fusion Media (Kelly Finley)

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Guzman. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

### 2. Approval of Unaudited Actuals

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Lashai. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*



3. Approval of Board Appointee to Equity + Diversity Strategic Action Plan  
Committee: Javier Guzman

*Motion to approve: Lashai. Second: Dell Angelo. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

4. Approval of Resolution of the Board of Directors of Aveson to Delegate Duties Set Forth in Charter Petition

*Motion to approve: Ross. Second: Lashai. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

**Motion to postpone Student/Family Handbook Action Item 5**

*Motion to approve: Rivas Gómez, Second: Ross. In Favor: Brown, Rivas Gómez, Guzman, Lashai, Dell Angelo, Jolley. Against: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None*

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 pm.