



ALLEGIANCE STEAM ACADEMY

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

May 3, 2021

Minutes

I. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair at 7:37pm

B. Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Samantha Odo, Board Chair	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Jason Liso, Treasurer	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Marcilyn Jones, Secretary	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Troy Stevens, Member	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Claudia Reynolds, Member	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>

C. Public Comments, Items not on the agenda

No public comments.

D. Approval of Agenda for Regular Board Meeting on May 3, 2021

Jason Liso motion to approve with the amendment under item D.3. to Strike the Public Hearing and replace with Adopt and Approve.

Motion (Jason Liso), second (Troy Stevens), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on May 3, 2021.

II. OPEN SESSION

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Items Scheduled for Information:

1. Update from Parents and Community for Kids

- PACK hosting Teacher Appreciation week. They are hosting a luncheon for staff on Wednesday. Last week was a fundraiser from Chipotle in which they raised \$546. Next week they will host another restaurant of the month at Panda Express
- 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony 5/26- In talks with Admin for fun end of year activity
- Ice cream will be distributed to all students at end of year
- 4 openings on the PACK board next year and extending the board from 5 to 7 members. They will be sending a Google Form to recruit new members and hope to announce it at the next board meeting.

2. Staff Report

- Stacey Lazo- shared how things have been very busy- both beginning of year and end of year feel as we welcomed back students and introduced routines while closing out the school year. Grateful for support here at the school and shared how we are still having fun!

3. CEO's Report

- Expresses thanks to CVUSD for working with us on the space that they provide to us. Next year alarms will be installed as part of the third year of school upgrades approved by the Chino Community.
- Thanks to Dr. Enfield who collaborated with us on the CAASPP decision.
- Sent final response for Prop 39 this week--looking into adding modulars for expanding
 - program in future
- PACK has been busy helping to plan end of year activities for students.
- Last board meeting of this school year--One thing that stands out is the work of our educators. Timely for teacher appreciation week and proud of the team assembled here during this time.
- Sam Odo asked about the space that we are getting through Prop 39. Dr. Cognetta clarified that it would be 2-3 modules. 1 for a STEAM lab and 1-2 for class and workspace. Dr. Cognetta has been working with Charter Impact on the financial impact. This would be something that CVUSD does not have to provide for us. It is needed due to the unique nature of our program.

4. LCAP Parent Survey Results

- Dr. Cognetta shared the LCAP parent survey that was previously shared with the staff in an email.

5. STEAM -focused Professional Development Request for Proposal 2021-22

- The data has informed that the administration should invest in professional development.
- This is not just limiting us to STEAM labs--the goal is for teachers to think in terms of creating STEAM experiences and consider the implications of what that means in teaching all content. This will better align with what is in our school's charter.
- Mr. Stevens requested that families be informed of what areas the school is focusing on.
- Mr. Liso stated that he believes this is a step in the right direction and is glad to see this and agrees that all teachers should have the same answer when they say what is STEAM at ASA.

C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSENT:

- 1. Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors April 12, 2021**
- 2. Minutes for the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors April 19, 2021**
- 3. Check Register for March, 2021**

Motion (Marcy Jones), second (Jason Liso), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors April 12, 2021, the Minutes for the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors April 19, 2021 and Check Register for March, 2021.

D. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

- 1. Financial Update for March, 2021**

Motion (Troy Stevens), second (Marcy Jones), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Financial Update for March, 2021

- 2. Revised FY21 Budget**

Motion (Jason Liso), second (Troy Stevens), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Revised FY21 Budget

- 3. Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan - ASA Thrive**

- This includes the summer school program, staffing plan to bring class size down and accommodate home based and in person students.

Motion (Jason Liso), second (Troy Stevens), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Revised FY21 Budget

4. Job Description - Facilities Manager

- Not adding a position, but redefining our lead custodian position in our staffing model

Motion (Troy Stevens), second (Sam Odo), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Job Description - Facilities Manager

5. Paid Time Off Policy Addendum 2020-2021

- We currently have a PTO payout for certificated staff and we did not have anything comparable for our classified staff. 2 options presented for full time classified staff.
- Option A: \$10.00/hour of PTO paid directly to employee
- Option B: \$10.00/hour of PTO not used to employee's CalPERS

Motion (Claudia Reynolds), second (Marcy Jones), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the Paid Time Off Policy Addendum 2020-2021

6. STUDYSYNC English/Language Arts Grades 6-8 Curriculum and Quote

- Quote given for \$35,055.81
- Mrs. Lohoff noted the need to help students in grammar and writing. Teachers were asked what they would like to see in a curriculum and this included everything that they wanted. She also stated that it included a full ELD program.

Motion (Marcy Jones), second (Jason Liso), motion carried by a vote 5-0 to approve the STUDYSYNC English/Language Arts Grades 6-8 Curriculum and Quote

E.COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Comments from Board of Directors:

- Claudia Reynolds - Shout out to teachers for teacher appreciation week. Lots of exciting things are happening and she wants to acknowledge the work that everyone continues to do. Encourages students to keep trying. Lots of positive things happening and things to focus on. She is excited to hear about the digital material that students will have access to and she was happy to talk about it.
- Troy Stevens - Last meeting of the year and states it has been a crazy year. Quite amazing to see how we got through it. Thanks to the kids for hanging in there through distance learning. They have adapted and for the most part are thriving. Congratulations to the 8th graders on their

upcoming promotion and hopes they get a "normal" year for their freshman year.


- **Marcy Jones - Happy Teacher Appreciation Week and wants teachers to enjoy every minute of it. Enjoy the gifts coming your way. Looking forward to next year and all the exciting things to come. She recognizes the resiliency in everyone. Thanks parents for being understanding and flexible and trusting the team to take care of things.**
- **Jason Liso - Excited for the hope of what is to come for the next school year. The idea to start a new school year gives him hope of a sense of normalcy. Missed things from this year like the fall festival and gala. He is looking forward to these things next year. Shout out to all the stakeholders and that means every parent, child, staff member, person that is involved with ASA. Everyone has been amazing at starting and stopping and trying to make this as normal as possible. Recognizes that the staff is still working hard and adapting to all the changes. Wishes all the teachers have a great summer.**
- **Sam Odo - Nice to see everyone here and in person. Gives her hope for next year and getting back to some normalcy. Thanks to the teachers and the staff for everything. Notes that the transition for students and staff has been a lot, but everyone made it happen. Hopes everyone takes some time for themselves after a crazy year.**

D. Adjournment

*Motion to adjourn the May 3, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors at 8:37pm.
Motion (Claudia Reynolds), Second (Troy Stevens), Motion carries by a vote of 5-0.*



Samantha Odo, Board Chair



Marcilyn Jones, Board Secretary