

ALLEGIANCE STEAM ACADEMY REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

April 22, 2018

MINUTES

I. Preliminary

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair at 7:01 pm.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Allegiance STEAM Academy was held at 13050 2nd Street, Chino, Ca 91710.

B. Roll Call	Present	Absent
Andrew Vestey, Chairman	X	
Vanessa Okamoto, Secretary	X	
Melanie Choi, Treasurer	X	
Raquel Rall, Member		X
Samantha Odo, Member	X	

C. Public Comments- Items not on the Agenda

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting, Bernadette Stroud requested to speak about donations. Mrs. Stroud addressed the Board regarding donations she has received from reaching out to family and friends, also from the Easter Egg fundraiser she conducted. Mrs. Stroud said she had a list of who donated money from letters she had sent out and the Easter Egg fundraiser.

D. Approval of Agenda for Board Meeting for April 22, 2018.

Motion (Odo), second (Choi), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve the agenda for the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors for April 22, 2018.

II. Open Session:

A. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Comments from Board of Directors

There were no comments from the Board of Directors

2. CEO's report

Dr. Cognetta said ASA-Thrive received the final offer from CVUSD regarding Prop. 39 facilities request. Dr. Cognetta said he likes the offer, but would like some language changed to protect the school. Dr. Cognetta said he's been speaking with Charter Impact regarding our finances and said we are looking at drawing additional money from Charter Asset Management. Dr. Cognetta also said Charter Impact is working on a revised budget. Dr. Cognetta said he conducted a survey, as directed, regarding staff's participation in the medical benefit program. He also stated Kaiser would not accept us at this time, due to the size of the organization. Dr. Cognetta said he recently met with Supt. Joseph and Deputy Supt. Norm Enfield regarding several items. He stated CVUSD has offered to purchase furniture for the school sight. Callie Moreno and Diana Urbina attended training regarding our Student Information System to begin the registration process. Dr. Cognetta advised a group will be attending an informational session for a potential food services provider. Dr. Cognetta said they have also been in discussions with a before and after school care provider called Think Together, which seems to be a good fit for the school.

B. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

1. Steam Unit Design Template

2. Benchmark Assessments

3. Instructional Materials

Dr. Cognetta provided an overview of benchmark assessments and STEAM Unit Design Template. Dr. Cognetta said the curriculum has not been finalized because more input is needed from the staff. The STEAM template will be focused on an intentional plan. It will help the student prepare for their future.

Callie Moreno reviewed the STEAM Unit Design Template, Benchmark Assessments and the Instructional Materials. The STEAM Unit Design Template is a template to build a project-based STEAM learning unit. The template covers standards across multiple disciplines. The template includes 21st century skills and an authentic

audience to present to. The Benchmark Assessments are all researched and evidence based. Moreno received input from the incoming teachers for the Benchmark Assessments. The Instructional Materials were chosen based on meetings with the incoming teachers. Some of the curriculum would be teacher created based on the subject. History and Science is still being discussed by the team.

Dr. Cognetta said they have been in discussions with the publishers to work out a quote for the materials and should have information for the Board soon.

C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

1. Medical Benefits for Eligible Employees

Motion (Vestey), second (Odo), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to select Blue Shield as the medical benefit provider for eligible employees.

2. <u>Approval of Local Education Agency Membership to the Desert/Mountain Charter Special Education Local Plan Area</u>

Motion (Okamoto), second (Choi), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve and accept the terms as presented, for Allegiance STEAM Academy-Thrive's acceptance into the Desert/Mountain Charter Special Education Local Plan Area.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Odo) and Second (Choi), motion carried 4-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Andrew Vestey, Board Chair, adjourned the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for April 22, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Andrew Vestey, Board Chair

Vanessa Okamoto, Board Secretary