



**ALLEGIANCE STEAM ACADEMY
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

July 13, 2020

Minutes

I. Preliminary

A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 7:35 pm.

B. Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Samantha Odo, Chairperson	<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

There were no Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda.

D. Approval of Agenda for the Special Board Meeting for July 13, 2020

Motion (Jones), second (Stevens), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the agenda for the Special Board Meeting for July 13, 2020.

II. Open Session:

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

1. None

C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSENT:

1. None

D. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:

1. Reopening Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year

Dr. Cagnetta gave a presentation and answered questions on the Reopening Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Motion (Stevens), second (Jones), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 (Liso voted no) to adopt and approve the Reopening Plan for the 2020-2021 School Year.

Marcilyn Jones left the meeting at 9:07 pm.

2. Resolution: COVID-19 Emergency Response- Authorization Needed to Take Any and All Necessary Actions to Prepare and Respond Effectively to COVID-19

Dr. Cagnetta gave an overview of the Resolution: COVID-19 Emergency Response-Authorization Needed to Take Any and All Necessary Actions to Prepare and Respond Effectively to COVID-19. The board members asked questions in which Dr. Cagnetta answered.

Motion (Odo), second (Liso), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to table the Resolution: COVID-19 Emergency Response-Authorization Needed to Take Any and All Necessary Actions to Prepare and Respond Effectively to COVID-19.

3. Quote for Open Court Reading: Foundational Skills

Motion (Liso), second (Stevens), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to approve and adopt the Quote for Open Court Reading: Foundational Skills in the amount of \$29,799.23.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Comments from Board of Directors

Claudia Reynolds thanked everyone that has been involved in the reopening plans. She is pleased there will be a continued social/emotional component as it's important we keep it a priority as it's important for the students to have the support. She thanked everyone for outlining everything so well. She's looking forward to the future and school starting.

Troy Stevens addressed everyone at the meeting and everyone in the meeting and wanted all to know that the best effort was put together by the staff and at the end of the day not everyone will be happy with the decision. The kids are at the forefront of making any decisions. We will get back to normal as fast as we can. Many have sacrificed and will continue to. We can agree to disagree on a lot of things. Keep pushing forward and he's excited to get the school year started. We need to stay strong together. The board is here for everyone and willing to schedule meetings as often as needed to do what it takes to help the school.

Jason Liso told everyone that if anyone has an opinion to feel free to share it and that he's always available to talk and for others to tell him what they're thinking and feeling. He voted no on the reopening plan but he still thinks it was thorough and thought out and well put together. He thinks kids should be put back into school. He thinks the hybrid model presents issues for families and presents difficulties if families have to be home. He's not unsympathetic, and he thinks some should have the option of learning home-based. He thinks it might be

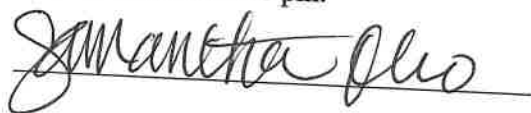
premature, who knows what will happen in the next days and weeks before school starts. Nobody has all the right answers. He is open to discussions with anyone. He is thankful to the staff for their hard work on this.

Samantha Odo shared concerns about if we do go on campus and we have positive cases and also wanted to know if we have enough subs if teachers or staff are quarantined. She said if we do go in the hybrid model, when the parents are getting their kids ready for school she thinks talking to them about social distancing, washing hands, etc. we need to work as a team with the families so that we are all on the same page so all know the expectations. She said we need to work with the families if they are going to send their kids to school, the school needs to communicate to be sure all are on the same page. She also had a question about the IXL quote, asked if we got it and Dr. Cognition said that we do and it's a quote for 3rd to 6th graders including Spanish for grades 4th through 6th. The quote is \$24,502.00.

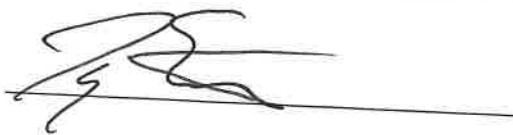
F. ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Stevens), second (Reynolds), motion carried by a vote of 4-0 to Adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors for July 13, 2020.

Samantha Odo, Board Chair, adjourned the Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors for July 13, 2020 at 9:40 pm.



Samantha Odo, Board Chair



Troy Stevens, Member