

THE COTTONWOOD SCHOOL

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting - The Cottonwood School

June 25, 2020 – 6:30 pm

3840 Rosin Court #200, Sacramento, CA 95834

Attendance: Dr. Norman Lorenz, Teresa Lyday Selby, Julisa Platte, Amanda Meagher - Teleconference

Absent: None

Also Present: Jodiann Beeson, Julie Haycock, Kathy Fagundo, Paul Minney, Lisa Corr, Bryanna Brossman, Kristie Nicosia, Amy Frudenlund, Kristen Graat, Marci Boyd, Kelly Laliberte, Jeannene Bermodes - Teleconference

Call to Order:

Dr. Lorenz called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Closed Session:

- a. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (One Case) § 54956.9**
- b. **Public Employee Performance Evaluations § 54956.7**
 - i. **Executive Director**
 - ii. **Principal**

- Motion to enter into closed session at 6:07 pm - Dr. Lorenz
- Second – Julisa Platte
- Unanimous
- Motion to end closed session at 8:11 pm – Dr. Lorenz
- Second – Julisa Platte
- Unanimous

Report out of Closed Session:

- Changes to contract with ICS to be clarified in item 8 of agenda
- Set up Board Retreat in July with Lisa Corr to develop Strategic Plan for TCS.
- Board committed to retain Julie Haycock as ED of TCS
- Board committed to retain Jodiann Beeson as Principal of on-site program of TCS

Approval of agenda:

- Motion to approve agenda with amendments – Julisa Platte
 - Add CharterSAFE presentation at end of this meeting
 - Table items 6, 7, and 15 to July meeting
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous

Public Comments:

Discussion and Potential Action on the Executive Director Contract, Salary, and Fringe Benefits:

- The Board tabled this agenda item to the July meeting.

Discussion and Potential Action on the Principal's Contract, Salary, and Fringe Benefits:

- The Board tabled this agenda item to the July meeting.

Discussion and Potential Action on Inspire Charter Services Proposed Contract (2 actions taken):

- Motion to terminate current contract with ICS – Julisa Platte
 - Legal counsel will notify
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous
- Motion to nominate Dr. Lorenz to work with legal counsel to renegotiate a new 1 year contract with ICS – Julisa Platte
- Second – Teresa Lyday-Selby
- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on the Board Meeting Calendar:

- Motion to approve – Julisa Platte
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous

Discussion re: Possible Dates for Board training on Brown Act, Conflict of Interest laws, the Public Records act and Best Governance practices:

- Set up meeting at end of July with Young, Minney and Corr
- Include new board members in training
- Motion to approve – Dr. Lorenz
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on the June Board Meeting Minutes:

- Motion to approve – Julisa Platte
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous

Board Consideration and Approval of Governance Policy Regarding Meeting and Agenda Compilation:

- Should be the responsibility of the Board President and Executive Director
- Motion to approve – Julisa Platte
- Second – Amanda Meagher
- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on the Field Trip Policy for Independent Study Students and Site-Based Students:

- Motion to approve – Dr. Lorenz
- Second – Julisa Platte

- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on the Educational Vendor Policies and Procedures for Independent Study Students and Site-Based Students:

- Julisa Platte proposes to amend policy to say “reasonable use.”
 - “All materials for kindergarten are consumables.”
- Policy shows that families are being responsible with state instructional funds.
- Motion to approve with amendment of “reasonable use” – Amanda Meagher
- Second – Dr. Lorenz
- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on Bylaws:

- Legal counsel reviewing
- Tabled to July meeting

Discussion and Potential Action on Nomination of an Adhoc Committee for Board Recruitment:

- Nomination of Julisa Platte and Dr. Lorenz
- Motion to approve committee for board recruitment – Dr. Lorenz
- Second – Julisa Platte
- Unanimous

Discussion and Potential Action on Affirming of Board Members and their New Term:

- Julisa Platte asked that Amanda Meagher serve as Treasurer as Ms. Platte will be resigning her membership on board following the July meeting.
- Further discussion of roles will be done during July meeting.
- Motion to affirm Board members – Julisa Platte
- Second – Teresa Lyday-Selby
- Unanimous

Announcement of Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:

- July 21, 2020 at 6:00 pm.
 - Closed session to occur first
 - Open session to begin at 7:00 pm.

Discussion and Potential Action on Charter SAFE Contract:

- Presentation by Whitney Delano of Charter SAFE
- Rates increase somewhat due to moving from group plan to individual school plan
- Motion to approve – Amanda Meagher
- Second – Julisa Platte
- Unanimous

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned by Dr. Lorenz at 9:01p

Noted by:

Healey-Sub

Board Secretary






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