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Southwest Leadership Academy Board Meeting Agenda  
March 27, 2018

**REVISED NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
SOUTHWEST LEADERSHIP ACADEMY  
GOVERNING BOARD**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public, that the Governing Board for Southwest Leadership Academy will hold a meeting open to the public as specified below. The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings. One or more Board members may participate telephonically.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 (H), the Board may discuss and take action concerning any matter listed on the agenda.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A) (3), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice concerning any item on this agenda.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting Matthew Boucher, Board Liaison at (602) 265-2000. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

DATED AND POSTED this 22st day of March 2018. By

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Matthew Boucher  
Board Liaison/Compliance Manager

**AGENDA**

Southwest Leadership Academy Governing Board  
Tuesday, March 27, 2018  
10:30:00 pm to 12:00pm

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**Call in Number: (518) 530-1840**

**Meeting ID: 195-834-022**  
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All items on this agenda are open for discussion and possible action, including reports and action items. Public comment will be acknowledged at the end of the Agenda items.

A copy of the Agenda and Meeting Minutes are available for review on our website:

[www.southwestleadership.com](http://www.southwestleadership.com)

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If authorized by a majority vote of the members of the Governing Board, any matter on the open meeting agenda may be discussed in executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice thereon, pursuant to A.R.S. 38431.03 (A)(3). In addition, the Board, by majority vote may enter into Executive Session for discussion and consultation with administration regarding student matters pursuant to A.R.S. §§15-342, 15-521, and 15-843; A.R.S. §38431.03 (A)(2) (consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection); legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4). The executive session will be held immediately after the vote and will not be open to the public.

\*Additional information regarding any of the items on this agenda may be obtained prior to the meeting by calling Matthew D. Boucher at (602) 265-2000. Also, you can attend the foregoing meeting by teleconference from the School. Please contact Matthew D. Boucher of the School's administration to find out how.

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- 1. Call to order and roll call. (Board President):** Mike Gantt, Jenny Diaz, Mark Hendershot, Ruben Olivas, Terry Hines and Brian Heath
- 2. Introduction of Visitors:** Shaquanna Fernandez, owner of TLC Child Enrichment, Chandra Lutostanski, owner of Just Like Home Preschool and Childcare; Karen Young, CEO of Woz U Education, Brent Edwards, VP of Beyond Textbooks (virtually); Robert Hollingsworth, new HR Representative
- 3. Board Additions to the Agenda:** Mike Gantt
- 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes** from the January 23, 2018 and March 13, 2018 board meetings. (Action Required)

**Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the January 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Board meetings which are attached.**

**5. Submission of Proposal For Expansion School:** On Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, we submitted the request for an expansion school in accordance with the Board's direction for the site now occupied by Starshine Academy at 3535 East McDowell Road, Phoenix. That school is

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currently a K-12 school but if we get approval, it will only be for high school grades 9-12 (High-Point Leadership Academy).

- 6. Review of Food Service Program Financial Projections:** Rob Bowser and Matthew Boucher will present an updated version of the financial projections to the end of FY18. A copy of the forecast is attached. After significant deliberations, the forecast shows a \$7,382.30 surplus that can be applied to future food services needs or the start up costs already incurred. (No action required)
  
- 7. Beyond Textbooks Presentation** – Bent Edwards, VP of Beyond Textbooks will make a brief 15 minute presentation on this program that will be instituted this coming school year. (Information attached).
  
- 8. Termination of STEPS Special Education Services:** Due to failure to provide compliance and perform their duties in accordance with state and federal law, the administration exercised the termination clause of the agreement with STEPS effective 3/12/18. Mr. Hernandez, a certified special education teacher is now working to bring all records and IEPs to compliance and will meet with the AZ DOE representative on May 11<sup>th</sup>.
  
- 9. Approval of Woz U Education:** The Board has heard about the programs available from Woz U Education and for FY19, we intend to move forward to provide at least two CTE programs from Woz U Education. Karen Young, CEO of Woz U Education will have a 10-15 minute discussion with the Board to be certain that the Board is in complete agreement with this program.

**Motion: Move to authorize the administration to proceed with the purchase of at least two science and technology CTE programs (recommending coding and drones) from Woz U Education for the FY19 school year and to authorize Dr. Philip Geiger to execute an agreement between SLA and the company with funds from the FY19 school budget.**

- 9 Review of FY18 Budget and financial Report:** CJ Bower will review the monthly budget summary, expenditures, revenue, and projected budget performance and answer questions.

**Motion: Move to receive the January and February 2018 financial reports as submitted.**

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**10 Establish Date and Agenda for Board Retreat** – Plans are to have a one day (or half day) board retreat at a time and place convenient for board members. The recommendation is to hold the meeting at Thunderbird Executive Inn and Conference Center of April 18, 19, or 20 from 5:30 PM to 9:00 PM. The cost is \$200 for the room plus the cost of the catered meal. We would have a private room set up in round tables. The other possibility is to combine our retreat with the new May Board meeting date of May 15th and conduct both the Board meeting and Retreat on the same night. The Board will need to make a decision at the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **10. Status of Day Care:**

Over the past three months, we have been reviewing all proposals and letters of interest we received regarding the development of a preschool at Southwest Leadership Academy. All of the proposals had interesting programs and were of high quality. However, we now have a recommendation and although we were impressed with all proposals, we are recommending TLC Child Enrichment to provide childcare services at Southwest Leadership Academy and Just Like Home Daycare and Preschool for a second site we are planning to open called High-Point Academy also in Phoenix.

We intend to open at least one new charter school each year so we would like to stay in touch with other providers to help us with the daycare services at our new sites

Motion for SLA Preschool: Move to approve the administration to finalize an agreement with TLC Child Enrichment Preschool and Daycare to establish a preschool at Southwest Leadership Academy to provide services for approximately 80 children with priority provided to SLA students and staff with students paying nothing for services if covered by DES and staff at a reduced fee with the total outlay of cash from SLA of approximately \$15K for the playground canopy at the rear of the school and all other out of pocket expenses being paid by TLC in accordance with the terms originally provided in the RFP and to further authorize Dr. Philip Geiger to complete the negotiations and execute the contract on behalf of the Board.

Motion for High-Point Preschool: Move to approve the administration to finalize an agreement with Just Like Home Preschool and Daycare to establish a preschool at High Point Academy (assuming we either have an approved expansion school or a management agreement) to provide services for approximately 80 children with priority provided to H-P students and staff with students paying nothing for services if covered by DES and staff at a reduced fee with the total outlay of cash from SLA of approximately \$15K for the playground canopy and the shared cost of ground cover at the school and all other out of pocket expenses being paid by JLH in accordance with the

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**11 Discussion Re:** Enrollment, Attendance, Staffing, Extracurricular Sports, Calendar of Events, Curriculum and Instruction, Professional Development, Vocational Courses, Facility Updates and Current Status of the School – Dr. Greg Fowler  
(Information/Discussion, no action required)

**12 Identify future agenda items** (Discussion/Action)

- a Approval of final FY18 budget**
- b Salary Review Study**
- c Preparation of FY19 budget**

**13 Public Comment**

**14 Adjournment**

**Next regular meeting: May 15, 2018 AM (MST) @ Southwest Leadership Academy  
(telephonic attendance is acceptable).**