

Board of Education Agenda- Southwest Leadership Academy

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 public, that the Governing Board for Southwest Leadership Academy will hold a meeting open to the public as well as a Board retreat 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. The meeting will take place at Southwest Leadership Academy 4301 West Fillmore Street, Phoenix, AZ 85043.

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 Rachel Parson, 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 25th day of June 2021.

By

Dr. Philip Geiger

Superintendent

AGENDA

Southwest Leadership Academy Governing Board Tuesday,

June 29, 2021

10:30 AM (MST)

At

Southwest Leadership Academy, 4301 West Fillmore Street, Phoenix, AZ 85043

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Call in Number: Join Zoom Meeting

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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.

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

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 Dr. Geiger at (602) 265-2000. Also, you can attend the foregoing meeting by teleconference from the School. Please contact Dr. Geiger to find out how.

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- 1. Call to order and roll call. (Board President): Mike Gantt, Ruben Olivas (Vice President), Brian Heath (Treasurer/Secretary), Terry Hines and Drew Ainsworth.**

- 2. Introduction of Visitors: Dr. Philip Geiger (Superintendent), Dr. Greg Fowler (Principal), Valerie White (New Assistant Principal), Abigail Standley (New Assistant Principal for Special Programs), and Paula Signorelli (Director of Business Operations).**

- 3. Principal's Report; Dr. Greg Fowler**
 - a. Introduction of New Administrative Personnel & Their Roles
 - b. Status of Literacy Grant (\$888K)
 - c. Continuing Programs: Beyond Textbooks, Galileo, Reading 180, Rosetta Stone, Standards Based Instruction,
 - d. Teacher Evaluations (Danielson model) and Prop 301 funds
 - e. Sports Programs

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- f. Staffing & new personnel (Art, tutor, new behavior mentor, school within a school, new administrative assistant, 2 new assistant principals
- g. New Programs: Math 180, Naviance (E-Cap), Performance Matters, artificial intelligence (WOZ)
- h. Summer School
- i. Literacy Grant - \$888,885

4. Approval of March 23, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the March 23, 2021 Board meeting as presented.

- 5. Update regarding Board Policies** – With special thanks to Rusty Alexander, corporate business manager, previously approved policies have now been restated into the ROP model and are being presented today for the Board’s approval.

Motion: Move to approve the policies attached with an effective date of July 1, 2021.

- 6. Approval to remove Rachel Parson as a Charter School Representative for Southwest Leadership Academy effective immediately.** Since Rachel Parson resigned her position as compliance officer for SLA June 18, 2021 it is appropriate to remove her as a charter school representative.

Motion: Move to remove Rachel Parson as a charter school representative for Southwest Leadership due to her recent resignation as the school’s compliance officer.

- 7. Finance– Paula Signorelli- Review March, April and May 2021 financials,**

Motion: Move to receive the March, April, May 2021 financial reports as submitted.

- 8. Finance–Paula Signorelli will present the proposed FY22 budget** - At this time, the Board will open the meeting to the public for comment on the proposed FY22 school budget. The Board members may also ask questions or make proposals regarding the budget as well.

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Motion: Move to tentatively approve the proposed FY22 annual school budget and set Thursday, July 15th at 10:30 AM as the date for the board meeting to review and approve the FY22 budget.

State of AZ budget due dates for charter schools

Federal and state maintenance of operations declaration form – July 3 (Saturday)

Proposed Budget (approved and uploaded) – July 5 (Monday)

Estimated Student Count Enrollment list per SF21-044 – July 9 (Friday)

Adopted Budget (board approval) – July 15 (Thursday)

Adopted budget (uploaded July 18 – (Sunday)

9. Election of Board Members: Board member terms expire as follows:

Mrs. Hines 6/30/22

Mr. Olivas 6/30/23

Mr. Ainsworth 6/30/23

Mr. Heath 6/30/23

Mr. Gantt 6/30/22

10. Consideration to appoint a new board member – Mr. Sean M. Diana, an educator who owns and operates Mandarin and Spanish immersion preschools and is an applicant to the State Charter School Board for a similar program in a K-8 charter school has indicated an interest in serving on the SLA Board. Dr. Geiger met with Mr. Diana and believes he would be an asset to our board. Contacted again recently Mr. Diana expressed his continued interest in a Board position.

Motion: Move to approve the appointment of Sean M. Diana as a member of the Southwest Leadership Academy Board effective July 1, 2021, to fill a term that expires June 30, 2023. (Resume attached.)

11. Conflict of Interest Policy and Disclosure Form – Annually the Board is required to file a conflict-of-interest form. Copies will be distributed to the Board at the meeting for FY22.

No action required other than completing the form. Please bring the completed form with you or mail it to the office.

12. Board Officers: At this meeting, according to the By-laws, the Board elects a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer or it can combine multiple

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positions. Either the Board will entertain nominations previously submitted, if any, or can make nominations from the floor for whatever officer positions it desires at this Board meeting for a one-year term.

Motion: Move to nominate _____ to the position of _____.

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- 13. Scheduled Board Meetings for FY22** – The Board plans to meet quarterly but the president or multiple members of the Board may call special meetings as necessary. The dates provided below are recommended meeting dates but the Board can change them based upon the availability of the Board. The Board may also want to meet in between regularly scheduled Board meetings for budget adjustments if circumstances require.

Motion: Move to establish the following dates for regularly scheduled board meetings at Southwest Leadership Academy on 4301 West Fillmore Street commencing 10:30 AM (MST) unless noted otherwise – Tuesday, September 21, 2022; Tuesday, December 14, 2022; Tuesday, March 22, 2022 (plus retreat) @ 5:30 PM at The University Club, Phoenix; and Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

- 14. Approval of Lease Agreement with the Isaac School District-** Although the agreement with the Isaac School District is with ROP and SLA is a subtenant, it is important that the Board understands and agrees to the terms of the agreement as these terms and conditions are passed through the SLA board.

Since we requested the renewal agreement from Isaac SD several months ago, we have not been able to speak to the business manger there to obtain a copy of the new lease.; therefore this matter will be reconsidered at the special budget meeting July 15, 2021.

15. Adjournment

Notice of a Special Meeting of the Board -Approval of the annual school budget for FY22 – July 15, 2021, at 10:30 AM at Southwest Leadership Academy located at 4301 West Fillmore Street, Phoenix, AZ 85043. Board members and the public may also attend telephonically.

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16. Announcements

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is September 22, 2022 at Southwest Leadership Academy.

SCHOOL STARTS – August 2, 2021