

Board of Education Agenda- Southwest Leadership Academy

NOTICE OF SPECIAL 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.

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DATED AND POSTED this 2nd day of July 2021.

By

Dr. Philip Geiger

Superintendent

AGENDA

Southwest Leadership Academy Governing Board Tuesday,

July 15, 2021

10:30 AM (MST)

At

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

This meeting will be conducted on Zoom.

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Topic: philip.geiger@rop.com's Zoom Meeting

Time: Jul 15, 2021 10:30 AM Arizona

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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.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 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.

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- 1. Call to order and roll call. (Board President): Mike Gantt, Terry Hines (Vice President), Drew Ainsworth (Treasurer/Secretary), Ruben Olivas and Brian Heath.**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Introduction of Visitors: Dr. Philip Geiger (Superintendent), Dr. Greg Fowler (Principal), Valerie White (New Assistant Principal), Abigail Standley (New Assistant Principal for Special Programs), Sean M. Diana (candidate for the board) and Paula Signorelli (Director of Business Operations).**
- 4. Approval of June 29, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes.**

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2021, Board meeting as presented.

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5. Appointment of a new board member –

Current 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 6/30/24

Recommendation 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 June 30, 2024. (Resume attached)

6. Approval of Capital Expenditure from FY21 budget – As we projected a positive balance for the end of FY21, we decided to use as much of those funds as possible rather than placing the surplus into reserve and thereby reduce expenses in FY 22 and purchased 220 Chromebooks. Each teacher will have a supply of Chromebooks for their classroom this coming year stored in their classroom in individual, locking charging cabinets. Competitive quotes were obtained and DHE provided the lowest per unit cost. This is the same company we used previously for Chromebooks. Approval by the Board will be appreciated.

Motion: Move to approve the purchase of 220 Chromebooks and charging cabinets in the amount of \$61,448.20 plus tax from the FY 21 school budget.

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

Motion: Move to approve the recommended FY22 annual school budget as submitted. (attached)

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)

8. **Conflict of Interest Policy and Disclosure Form** – If you have not yet submitted your conflict-of-interest form, please do so asap. (Mr. Olivas has submitted his.)
9. **Approval of Lease Agreement with the Isaac School District-** The Isaac School District business administrator has forwarded the new, but unchanged lease for 4301 West Fillmore Street. A copy is attached. The lease is between Rite of Passage and Isaac School District and SLA will be a sublessor.

Motion: Move to approve the lease with the Isaac School District for the FY22 school year.

10. Announcements

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 a location to be determined and Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is September 21, 2021, at Southwest Leadership Academy.

SCHOOL STARTS – August 2, 2021

11. Adjournment