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# Allegiance STEAM Academy

# Minutes

## Special Board Meeting of the Board of Directors

**Date and Time**
Monday September 23, 2024 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

5862 C St., Chino, CA 91710

7420 Locust Ave., Fontana, CA 92336

Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/99826280479

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**Directors Present**
S. Bhojani, S. Odo, S. Thompson, T. Stevens

**Directors Absent**
M. Jones

**Guests Present**
E. Lee, S. Cognetta

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Stevens called a meeting of the board of directors of Allegiance STEAM Academy to order on Monday Sep 23, 2024 at 5:37 PM.

### B. Record Attendance

### C. Pledge of Allegiance

### D. CEO Report

CEO Report:
32 days into the school year. TRIADS were held across both school sites, with the highest attendance rates from parents. TRIAD surveys were also sent out to families to complete. We are looking to fully roll out our new ASA website in early 2025. We have been awarded 2 grants for a total of $120,000.00 for SBYHI. Enrollment updates: ASA Chino: 949 and ASA Fontana: 251. San Bernardino County came to observe our ELOP Program. Great feedback and they said we had an exemplary program. This is our first meeting using the new platform, BoardOnTrack, for our Board Meetings. AI Exploration community is traveling to Oakland tomorrow. We have staff from both schools participating. Both ASA Chino and ASA Fontana PACK Boards have filled all positions. Completing J-13A for ASA Fontana for low attendance during the week of September 9th - 13th, due to the fires.

Principal Report Chino:
TRIADS were successful. Great opportunity to partner with families and set goals for the year. Please complete the TRIAD surveys. Looking forward to PACK fundraisers and activities. Join us for Howling with the Community on Thursday. The first ELAC meeting is on Thursday. Volleyball (boys & girls) will play their first games this week against Ramona Jr. High and Grace Yokley. Started W.A.G. (Wolves Accountability & Growth program) which serves as a tier 2 behavior intervention. Every other week, students are identified by teachers, and they participate in education and reflection on their choices. Fall festival planning is underway and coming along well. All the color run funds from last year (23-24) have been allocated. A refurbished golf cart was donated for our custodial/security staff. Kinder received 2 new taxi bikes. We have new storage for our playground equipment. And shade is going to be installed for both kinder and the elementary side very soon! This week we have our ChuckE Cheese fundraiser, and we are encouraging all community members to come out and support us!

Principal Report Fontana:
Wonderful week with completing TRIADS. A lot of positive feedback. Please complete the surveys being sent home. Leadership students or supporting Mrs Valenta during the Monday Morning Lives. Clubs and sports are going strong with over 100 students involved. PBL group (4 from Fontana) at every grade level is working closely with Ms Arnett and focusing on a PBL project. PLN’s have been successful with a lot of collaboration among vertical grade levels. PAWS started this week for the first time in Fontana. Shout out to the teachers for working so hard on this. Teachers vertically or working together. Literature STEAM day planning and excitement is in the air. AI Exploration is happening tomorrow and Ms Arnett will be joining those from Chino. Howling with the Community this Thursday. This month they are highlighting STEAM Fontana's first PACK fundraiser, which is this Wednesday the 25th at Mooyah's. Join Howling with the Community this Thursday the 26th.

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**Public Comments - Items on the Agenda**

No Public Comments for items on the agenda

## II. Public Announcement for Reason for Closed Sesson

### A. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

No Public Comments on Closed Session Items

### B. Closed Session- For Discussion/Possible Action

The Board entered Closed Session at: 5:54 pm

## III. Open Session

### A. Report from Closed Session

The Board reported out of Closed Session at: 7:39 pm
Nothing to report out from Closed Session.

### B. Public Comments- Items not on the Agenda

No Public Comments on Agenda items.

## IV. Items Scheduled for Consent

### A. Items Scheduled for Consent

S. Odo made a motion to approve items scheduled for consent.
S. Thompson seconded the motion.

Items for consent:
Minutes
Check Registrar
Wellness Policy ASA Chino 2024-25
Wellness Policy ASA Fontana 2024-25
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

| **Roll Call** | |
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| S. Odo | Aye |
| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Thompson | Aye |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |

## V. Items Scheduled for Discussion or Action

### A. Items Scheduled for Discussion or Action

No Items Scheduled for Discussion or Action

## VI. Finance

### A. FY24 Budget - ASA Chino

S. Odo made a motion to FY24 Budget - ASA Chino.
S. Thompson seconded the motion.
Passes 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |
| S. Odo | Aye |
| S. Thompson | Aye |

### B. FY24 Budget - ASA Fontana

S. Bhojani made a motion to FY24 Budget - ASA Fontana.
T. Stevens seconded the motion.
Passes 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| S. Odo | Aye |
| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Thompson | Aye |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |

### C. Revised Intra-organizational Loan Agreement

S. Thompson made a motion to Revised Intra-organizational Loan Agreement.
S. Odo seconded the motion.
Passes: 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| T. Stevens | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |
| S. Thompson | Aye |
| S. Odo | Aye |

## VII. Governance

### A.

### Governance

No items for discussion

## VIII. Other Business

### A. Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

S. Bhojani made a motion to Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.
S. Odo seconded the motion.
Passes 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| S. Thompson | Aye |
| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| S. Odo | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |

### B. New Job Description: Program Manager MTSS

S. Thompson made a motion to New Job Description: Program Manager MTSS.
T. Stevens seconded the motion.
Passes: 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Thompson | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| S. Odo | Aye |

### C. New Job Description: Tutor

S. Odo made a motion to New Job Description: Tutor.
T. Stevens seconded the motion.
Passes: 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| T. Stevens | Aye |
| S. Odo | Aye |
| S. Thompson | Aye |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |

## IX. Communications

### A. CEO Comments

CEO Comments: A huge Thank you to the staff in this room and those not here. TRIAD week is a marathon week for staff! TRIADS help launch our schools in a positive direction. We are thankful to all the families who participate and who choose ASA. Please communicate with us and share your feedback.

### B. Board Comments

Board Comments:
S. Odo - Thank you for PACK! Please support the fundraisers. Good luck to volleyball teams. Happy to see the increase in enrollment. Please complete TRIAD surveys. Excited to hear about the AI training and WAGS with Mr. Cordts.
S. Thompson - Enjoyed participating in 3 TRIADS. Excited about the PACK fundraisers and the upcoming Fall Festival.
S. Bhojani - Noting a change of energy on campus. TRIADS are fun and exciting. Great to hear about the grants. Excited to hear about the tutors, WAG project collaboration, project-based learning, and the increase in enrollment.
T. Stevens - Thank you for BoardOnTrack. Excited about all the new things. Hearing great things from the community, including from CVUSD Board commending ASA. Would like to be proactive about an enrollment plan for Fontana. The next Board meeting location is in Chino. Not adjusting the board schedule. Dedicating this meeting to the founding teacher, Ms. April Harmer, whose passion and commitment to education touched so many lives.

## X. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Odo made a motion to adjourn the Special Board meeting.
S. Thompson seconded the motion.
Passes: 4 - 0
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| S. Thompson | Aye |
| M. Jones | Absent |
| S. Bhojani | Aye |
| S. Odo | Aye |
| T. Stevens | Aye |

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Lee

**Documents used during the meeting**

- Allegiance_STEAM_Academy_Regular_Board_Meeting_Minutes_081224.pdf
- ASA_Wellness_Policy_2024-2025_Chino (1).pdf
- ASA_Wellness_Policy_2024-2025_Fontana (1).pdf
- July__2024_-ASA-Board_Summary__2_ (2).pdf
- July__2024_-ASA-Board_Summary__2_ (2).pdf
- ALLEGIANCE_Intraorganizational_Loan_Agreement__2024-1__Revised_091624.docx__2_.pdf
- Loan_Amortization_Schedule_-_Revised_091624.pdf
- ASA_Board_Local_Assignment_Resolutions_2024-2025 (1).pdf
- ASA_Program_Manager_MTSS (1).pdf
- ASA_Tutor.pdf

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