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Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting with Executive Session

Date and Time

Thursday August 25, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Location

Join Zoom Meeting

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Directors Present

A. Ben Addi (remote), A. Chávez (remote), A. Viscarra Gikas (remote), C. Dipres (remote), E. Diaz (remote), G. Gonzalez (remote), J. Lawrence (remote), K. Fana-Ruiz (remote), L. Santiago (remote), M. Brown (remote), M. Rivera (remote), M. Terranova-Fissel (remote), P. Viera, Jr. (remote), R. Penix-Tadsen (remote), R. Rhem (remote)

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

G. Panchisin, M. Lopez-Waite

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Santiago called a meeting of the board of directors of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy to order on Thursday Aug 25, 2022 at 5:04 PM.

C. Vote to enter Executive Session

R. Penix-Tadsen made a motion to enter Executive Session.

M. Brown seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Executive Session

A. Strategic Planning

The Board discussed strategic planning

B. Vote to Return to Public Session

M. Rivera made a motion to return to Public Session.

J. Lawrence seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Approval of Meeting Agenda and Meeting Minutes

A. Approve August meeting agenda and June meeting minutes

G. Gonzalez made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting with Executive Session on 06-23-22.

M. Rivera seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Finance

A. Financial Reports

G. Panchisin presented the FY22 financial report and the July 2022 financial report. G. Panchisin then presented the FY23 preliminary operating budget.

B. Approval of Financial Reports

R. Penix-Tadsen made a motion to approve the FY22 financial report and the July 2022 financial report.

G. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Preliminary Operating Budget

J. Lawrence made a motion to approve the FY23 preliminary operating budget.

R. Penix-Tadsen seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Operations

A. Operations Update

G. Panchisin presented information about the construction of the West Campus. The construction is currently on track.

VI. Development

A. Development Update

G. Gonzalez presented on Development. The Committee is continuing to work on the expansion campaign, which is currently in the friends and family phase. Unfortunately, due to space/venue issues, we are not able to have a Hispanic Heritage event for the community and events will take place for the students during the school day.

VII. DEI

A. DEI Report

R. Penix-Tadsen provided the DEIB report. The Committee would like to hold a discussion during the Board Retreat, and recruit new board members for the Committee.

VIII. PTO

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PTO Update

A. Viscarra Gikas provided the PTO update. On August 13, there was a uniform resale event. The PTO is working on a roller skate event. Mike is going to reach out for Jose to ask for 95% participation for teachers in the PTO. The goal is to get membership and volunteering up.

IX. CEO

A. CEO Report

M. Lopez-Waite presented the CEO report. Enrollment goals [1,347 (100%); 1,414 (105%)] Enrollment to date [1,324 registered, 15 pending = 1,339 total (99.4%)].

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Chávez