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Alma del Mar

Minutes

Board of Trustees Meeting

Date and Time
Friday April 29, 2022 at 9:00 AM

Trustees Present
A. Cortez (remote), C. Arnold (remote), C. Bator (remote), C. Holley (remote), G. Fortes (remote), I. Almeida (remote), J. Baptist (remote), M. Bride (remote), V. Brown (remote), Y. Dennis (remote)

Trustees Absent
L. Hicks, M. Rosario

Guests Present
B. Kurie (remote), M. Marko (remote), W. Gardner (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Baptist called a meeting of the board of trustees of Alma del Mar to order on Friday Apr 29, 2022 at 9:05 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

G. Fortes made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Trustees Meeting on 03-25-22.
Y. Dennis seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Y. Dennis	Aye
C. Arnold	Aye
C. Bator	Aye
G. Fortes	Aye
V. Brown	Aye
I. Almeida	Aye
M. Bride	Aye
C. Holley	Aye
J. Baptist	Aye
L. Hicks	Aye
A. Cortez	Aye
M. Rosario	Absent

D. Executive Director's Report and Board Dashboard

J. Baptist added that she would like the Board to hear from the Almazing Fund trip recipients as they return from their trips

E. Parent Survey Data Review

M. Marko presented the results of family survey from February 2022. About 60% response rate, which we are working to increase.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Academic Excellence Report

J. Baptist would like Alexa Teevens to attend the next meeting to answer questions and clarify data and updates within the report. W. Gardner shared that the STEP results are showing the 1st-3rd grade scholars are the most likely not reading on grade level. We are encouraged by current kindergarten performance that those scholars who have benefited from being in person since the start of their school careers.

B. Afterschool Program Update

M. Marko presented an update on our afterschool programming that was expanded upon this school year. Opportunities include middle school athletics and more enriching elementary activities.

III. Finance

A.

Budget Review and Vote

M. Marko presented the planning process and guiding principles for the FY23 budget as well as highlights of the budget.
C. Arnold made a motion to approve the FY23 Budget.
I. Almeida seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

G. Fortes	Aye
A. Cortez	Aye
Y. Dennis	Aye
J. Baptist	Aye
M. Rosario	Absent
C. Bator	Aye
I. Almeida	Aye
M. Bride	Aye
L. Hicks	Absent
C. Holley	Aye
V. Brown	Aye
C. Arnold	Aye

IV. Governance

A. Board Complaint Policy review

J. Baptist shared that the Board has been approached by families this year with concerns. She asked that the board review and reflect on the policy from Alma's bylaws.

G. Fortes asked that the process be clear in Alma staff following up with trustees who receive complaints and then forward those to school staff.

Trustee receives communication, then forwards that message to Board Chair, who then shares it with the Executive Director to resolve. The Executive Director then reports back to the Board Chair, who then reports back to the trustee.

B. Board REDI Update and Committee Launch

G. Fortes thanked trustees for participating in the REDI workshop with Chante Chambers, our DEI consultant, earlier this month. She shared that she would like to create a committee to ensure this work continues and remains a priority of the board.

V. E.D. Selection Committee

A. E.D. Selection Committee Recommendation and Vote

J. Baptist thanked everyone for their participation in the Executive Director Selection Committee process. She also thanked W. Gardner for his contributions and dedication to Alma.

The search committee is ready to make a recommendation for the successor, and have identified Taylor DeLoach.

C. Arnold made a motion to approve Taylor DeLoach as the next Executive Director of Alma del Mar Charter Schools.
I. Almeida seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Rosario	Absent
A. Cortez	Aye
I. Almeida	Aye
M. Bride	Aye
C. Arnold	Aye
L. Hicks	Absent
V. Brown	Aye
J. Baptist	Aye
G. Fortes	Aye
C. Bator	Aye
C. Holley	Aye
Y. Dennis	Aye

C. Bator shared his gratitude for the search committee for their work on the process. He enthusiastically supports the selection.

VI. 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 10:29 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
B. Kurie

B. Alma Organizational Chart