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Soleil Academy

Minutes

Soleil Academy Board Meeting: January 20, 2024

Date and Time
Saturday January 20, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Location
12315 Thorson Ave Lynwood, CA. 90262 (Satellite Option: 3900 Agnes Ave. Lynwood, CA 90262)

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

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Passcode: 155911

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Directors Present
A. Pariano, J. Kinoshita, J. Noel, S. Johnson, V. Gonzalez-Diaz, V. Reynolds

Directors Absent
None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
V. Gonzalez-Diaz

Ex Officio Members Present
B. Gutierrez

Guests Present
M. Serrano, R. Avilez

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Kinoshita called a meeting of the board of directors of Soleil Academy to order on Saturday Jan 20, 2024 at 9:10 AM.

B. Record Attendance

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes from 12/6/23 Soleil Academy Board Meeting

A. Pariano made a motion to approve the minutes from12/6/23 Soleil Academy Board Meeting Soleil Academy Board Meeting on 12-06-23.
J. Noel seconded the motion.
B. Gutierrez outlined the requested changes that were made to the previous meetings minutes, SARC, and PAC narrative.

Credential clearing policy: Anyone with emergency permits are currently misassigned teachers. We increased the reimbursement amount to incentivize teachers to complete clearing their credential.
Also discussed partnering with a program that is affordable so teachers have a viable pathway to credentialing. We hope this will also increase our percentage of those intending to return next school year.

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

B. Approval of 22-23 SARC

A. Pariano made a motion to Approve 22-23 SARC.
J. Noel seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approval for Soleil Academy to form a PAC and and for the Principal to have the flexibility to select parents to serve and the amount of meetings to be held in 2023-24 SY

A. Pariano made a motion to approve of Soleil Academy to form a PAC and and for the Principal to have the flexibility to recruit parents to serve and the amount of meetings to be held in 2023-24 SY.
J. Noel seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approval of Amendments to the Clearing of Credential Policy at Soleil Academy

A. Pariano made a motion to Approve Amendments to the Clearing of Credential Policy at Soleil Academy.
J. Noel seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Management Update

A. Soleil Management Updates

Highlights:

- Winter Wonderland
- Community Schools Kick-off meeting held in December
- Shoes that Fit partnership
- Two strong board candidates

Operations:

- ADA Month 5 91.4%. We have been able to maintain our goal. Several outages due to Covid.

- Current Year enrollment 333
- Prop 39: Interest form received = 88. Goal is 396. Canvassing and marketing is planned to bolster those numbers. Conversion rate historically is 93.6

Family Engagement:

- Cafecitos attendance was higher in December
- Shoes that Fit: 130+ shoes provided via LACOE

Upcoming Events:

- Valentine's Dance
- Black History Month Assembly
- Easter at the Park

LCAP goals were reviewed.
Steering committee was held.

Facilities:

- Prop 39: waiting for response from district
- Private acquisition: Seller wil not entertain offers below $5 million
- V. Reynolds wondered how census data affects our enrollment projections

V. Gonzalez-Diaz arrived at 9:23 AM.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Updates

B. Review of Financials

Net income is slightly higher than the budgeted projections.
By June 30, 2024 the school's cash balance is expected to be a 27% reserve.
As of Dec 31, 2023 Soleil had a zero-debt balance.
We are currently aligning projections to actuals to ensure a more accurate projection of finances and reviewing expenses tied to grants to ensure the budget expenses are accurately depicted on financial statements.

V. Academic Committee

A. Updates

We are closing out Phase 1 (Preparation) and moving to phase 2 (Exit tickets and misconceptions).

Teacher feedback is PD seems more aligned to the goals.

STEP Data Window 2:

- 46.4% of students are at or above grade level
- Growth in Step levels was noted. Highest percentage of step growth was in K and 1st grade.
- BOY to MOY Step growth is 7.4%
- We are utilizing Lexile levels for 4th and 5th grade

Next Steps:

- Intervention aides will pull targeted small groups of scholars 2+ step levels below
- Teachers will engage and calibrate in whole school intervention strategies for the top 2 components with the highest need; Reading Accuracy & Segmentation
- Correlate Step growth with MAP growth in the next 2 weeks.

VI. Governance Committee

A. Updates

Giving Tuesday- Board Recruitment Outcomes
5 total leads reported
School Tour scheduled for 2 strong candidates. Their backgrounds include: Finance, Education
Educational Leadership, Community Ties

V. Reynolds suggesting putting ads out in local paper. A. Pariano suggested LinkedIn advertisement.

Board strategic priorities were reviewed.

Mid-year Reflection:

- General concensus is that we are In Progress for Academic goals. Pushes are to look at data from different perspectives, supporting Principal in increasing student achievement. schedule academic committee meeting in advance of board meetings, include goals on each slide.

- First goverance goal: General concensus was In Progress but Not Met for Subgoal of on-boarding plan.
- Second Governance goal: General concenses was we are In Progress. Subgoal of community connection is Not Met. Push is to schedule Board meetings on same day as community events so board members can attend, and encouraging parents/community members to attend Board Meetings.

B. Brown Act Training

B. Gutierrez and Alaina presented the Brown Act refresher. Board participated in a Kahoot to check for understanding.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Next Board Meeting we will review financials and mid-year LCAP update.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:57 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Kinoshita