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Soleil Academy

Minutes

Soleil Academy Board Meeting: March 16, 2024

Date and Time

Saturday March 16, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Location

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

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7564585437?pwd=cmdKc1huRFI4MjJGanVCLzZ6dHEwUT09>

Meeting ID: 756 458 5437

Passcode: 155911

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Board Meeting will be held at 12315 Thorson Ave Lynwood, CA. 90262 and on zoom on the above date and time. During the meeting, the Board will consider, discuss, and may take action upon any of the agenda items listed below.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Members of the public calling in or participating via Zoom will be given the opportunity to address the Board during the meeting. Members of the public who wish to comment during the Board meeting may use the “raise hand” function on the Zoom platform to indicate their desire to speak at the beginning of consideration of that agenda item or during the period provided for comments from the public on non-agenda items. Members of the public who wish to speak on any item are requested (but not required) to identify themselves and indicate on

which agenda item they wish to speak. The Board will provide an opportunity for the public to speak on each agenda item for a maximum of three (3) minutes per person or six (6) minutes if a translation is required.

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Directors Present

A. Pariano, J. Kinoshita, J. Noel, S. Johnson

Directors Absent

V. Gonzalez-Diaz, V. Reynolds

Ex Officio Members Present

B. Gutierrez

Non Voting 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 Mar 16, 2024 at 9:05 AM.

B. Record Attendance

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes from 2/21/24 Soleil Academy Board Meeting

A. Pariano made a motion to approve the minutes from Soleil Academy Board Meeting: February 21, 2024 on 02-21-24.

J. Noel seconded the motion.

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

B.

Approval of Minutes from 2/15/24 Governance Committee Meeting

A. Pariano made a motion to approve the minutes from 2/15 Governance Committee Meeting Governance Committee Meeting on 02-15-24.

J. Noel seconded the motion.

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

C. Approval of Soleil Academy Annual Report

A. Pariano made a motion to Approve Soleil Academy Annual Report.

J. Noel seconded the motion.

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

III. Management Update

A. Soleil Management Updates

Black History Month Celebration

Cataline Island Marine Institute was a great success!

Teacher Baking Competition

Cafecitos

Schoolwide Attendance Month 9 was 92.36% ADA.

Current Year Enrollment is at 336.

2024-25 Enrollment is at 335 with 109 more needed for full enrollment.

Lottery was on March 5 with about 38 families in attendance. Soleil will be tabling at an Easter event

Prepping for re-enrollment

Family Engagement: In person Cafecitos with 60 families in attendance. Spring Fling

Dance, Parent Workshops, Egg hunt

Catalina Island trip video was shown.

Facilities:

Prop 39 response submitted March 1. Response is expected from LUSD by April 1.

No updates on private acquisition but 5 year plan is being reviewed.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Updates

B. Review of Financials

B. Gutierrez reviewed budget projection for 2024-25. One included facility acquisition and one without as well as other exclusions and modifications.

Net income is healthy.

C. Approval of Auditor for 23-24 School Year (VOTE)

S. Johnson made a motion to Approve auditor for 23-24 school year.

J. Noel seconded the motion.

We vote on auditor approval each year. We shifted to CLA after Eide Bailey and they have been very responsive. We would eventually like to find one that is more affordable.

J. Kinoshita pushed to broaden the scope of the search. Charter School Conference will be a great opportunity to scope out other auditors.

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

V. Governance Committee

A. Updates

We are looking for 2 more board members but currently have no candidates but has been posted to LinkedIn.

Board was reminded to submit their board biographies

Form 700 has been emailed for annual reporting. Three members have already submitted.

B. Approval of new board member, L. Safa effective April 1, 2024 (VOTE)

A. Pariano made a motion to Approval of new board member, L. Safa effective April 1, 2024.

S. Johnson seconded the motion.

L. Safa was recommended by Vereaux. She has finance and charter school experience.

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

C. Approval of new board member, K. Armstrong effective April 1, 2024 (VOTE)

J. Noel made a motion to Approve of new board member, K. Armstrong effective April 1, 2024.

A. Pariano seconded the motion.

This candidate has school management and strategic planning.

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

D. Approval for board member, J. Noel, to serve as Board Chair effective April 1, 2024 (VOTE)

A. Pariano made a motion to approve board member, J. Noel, to serve as Board Chair effective April 1, 2024.

S. Johnson seconded the motion.

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

E. Approval for board member, S. Johnson, to serve as Board Vice Chair effective April 1, 2024 (VOTE)

A. Pariano made a motion to approve board member, S. Johnson, to serve as Board Vice Chair effective April 1, 2024.

J. Noel seconded the motion.

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

VI. Academic Committee

A. Updates

M. Serrano recapped K-3 Step progress. Assuming constant rate or growth, Window 3 on or at grade level projections are as follows:

K - 77.7%

1st- 50%

2nd - 32%

3rd - 71.5%

Instructional Priority Update:

SBAC Prep Comprehensive Plan has been completed, consisting of target groups in math and ELA, calenderizing standard lessons based on interim assessments, whole school exit tickets, and SBAC and exit ticket PD.

Some board members inquired about teacher buy-in to this process. M. Serrano responded that based on personal check-ins and intent to returns, there is a level of trust with teachers.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Kinoshita expressed his excitement for the continued success of the board in the next chapter.

B. Gutierrez thanked Kinishita and Pariano for their commitment to Soleil.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:43 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Kinoshita