

# Teach Las Vegas

# **Minutes**

# **TEACH LV Regular Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday October 25, 2022 at 5:00 PM

#### Location

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#### **Directors Present**

D. Horn (remote), J. Carver (remote), N. Sarisahin (remote), Q. Branch (remote), T. Allison (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

## C. Igeleke

## **Ex Officio Members Present**

A. Moore

## **Non Voting Members Present**

A. Moore

#### **Guests Present**

B. Bulgeron, E. Robles, L. Ramirez, M. Brown, R. Carranza, R. McNeel, Tricia Metzel

## I. Opening Items

## A. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Allison called a meeting of the board of directors of Teach Las Vegas to order on Tuesday Oct 25, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

## **B.** Record Attendance

#### C. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

#### **II. CONSENT ITEMS**

## A. Approval of Board Agenda

- T. Allison made a motion to Approve the Board Agenda.
- Q. Branch seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- J. Carver Abstain
- Q. Branch Aye
- D. Horn Absent
- T. Allison Aye
- N. Sarisahin Aye
- C. Igeleke Absent
- T. Allison made a motion to approve the minutes from September meeting TEACH Las Vegas. Regular Board Meeting on 09-20-22.
- Q. Branch seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- D. Horn Aye
- C. Igeleke Absent
- Q. Branch Aye
- N. Sarisahin Aye
- T. Allison Aye
- J. Carver Aye

## B. Approve the Minutes of the September 20, 2022 Board Meeting

#### III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION & POTENTIAL ACTION

## A. Fiscal Report

Richard McNeel gave the fiscal report and showed actual versus budgeted numbers. The board asked if the variance was due to enrollment and Rich explained that was a factor, but also the number of high needs students enrolled this year exceeds the number last year as well as the anticipated numbers. Board Member Sarisahin asked whether or not we have applied to the Charter Growth Fund. Matt explained we have not and discussed our grants with Opportunity 180 and the accounts receivable sale planned to cover the deficit. He reviewed with the board which expenses are covered through grants on a reimbursement basis and which ones are not.

## **B. Independent Auditor Report Update**

Matt Brown provided the board with an update that the Auditor Report will be ready for them to review at a later date. This item will be on the next board agenda.

## C. Revised Fiscal Policy

T. Allison made a motion to Approve the Revised Fiscal Policy as presented with the modification that the board will approve contracts and expenses over \$25,000, excluding expenditures covered by grant funds.

N. Sarisahin seconded the motion.

The board discussed having increased board oversight on spending until the school is in a more comfortable financial position.

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

#### Roll Call

N. Sarisahin Aye

C. Igeleke Absent

D. Horn Aye

T. Allison Aye

Q. Branch Aye

J. Carver Abstain

## D. Facilities Planning Update

Matt Brown provided an update on facilities that included the financial and student recruitment forecast. The board discussed the pros and cons of delaying the ninth grade and filling the current building to capacity with 75-100 new students. The board concluded that waiting to expand to ninth grade was the best action to take at this time and supported the plan that Matt and Andrea discussed that included using the space creatively to accommodate more students in the current grade level.

## **E. Executive Director Report**

Andrea Moore gave a detailed report on the highs and lows and the strategies to address problem areas. She discussed enrollment, the creation of a PTA, the focus of improved classroom management and behavior management through a book study. She explained the issues of inexperienced teachers and how the Mentoring and Induction Program was supporting teachers in the classroom. Ms. Moore and Ms. Metzel are providing after school tutoring and remediation to students who have learning gaps and those who are struggling academically.

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## **Academic Achievement Report**

Tricia Metzel gave the academic report for the school. She showed several data points with comps when available. The NWEA scores from last year- beginning to end of year show an improved distribution. She shared the chronic absenteeism rate (10% of classes to date) as of October 25th compared to last year's rate at the end of the year. She also described the attendance triggers and responses provided by the school. The board asked several questions about chronic absenteeism and Metzel described some of the challenges facing families and a slow improvement in parent understanding of the critical importance of coming to school on time.

Metzel also explained how the Nevada Star rating is calculated and how the rating for TEACH LV was calculated using very limited data.

## IV. Closing Items

## A. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2022 but a Special Board meeting will need to be scheduled for the first week of November.

#### **B. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### C. Board Member Comments

No Board Member comments

## D. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Allison