



Voices College-Bound Language Academies

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday September 1, 2021 at 2:00 PM PDT

Instructions For Presentations To The Board By Parents and Citizens

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the meeting.
 2. "Request to Speak" cards are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of "Opening Items: Public Comment." Public Comment is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws (provisions of the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54954.2(a) and .3) which preclude any action being taken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda), the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to no more than 15 minutes total and 3 minutes per person. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern.
 3. You may also complete a "Request to Speak" card to address the Board on Agenda items. With regard to such agenda items, you may specify that agenda items on your "Request to Speak" card and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to 3 minutes when the board discusses that item.
 4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address and adhere to the limits set forth.
 5. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at 14271 Story Rd. San Jose, CA 95127.
 6. REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY: Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting may request assistance by contacting Alejandra Valladarez at (408)791-1609 Ex.1052
 7. All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The Executive Director recommends approval of all consent items.
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8. Members of the public attending a meeting conducted via teleconference need not give their name when entering the conference call.
 9. All time duration are estimates and may run shorter or longer.
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Agenda

I. Opening Items

- A. Record Attendance
- B. Call the Meeting to Order
- C. Approve order of the agenda
- D. Public Comment (on items not on the agenda)

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENT: <http://bit.ly/voices-public-comment> or text: 408-960-5580

Non-agenda items: No individual presentation shall be more than 3 minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed 15 minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

II. Board Business

- A. Approve Minutes
Approve minutes for Board Meeting on August 1, 2021
- B. Public Hearing Voices Academies Independent Studies Policy
The Board conducts a public hearing to allow the public to comment on the proposed Independent Studies policy.
No individual presentation shall be more than 3 minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed 15 minutes for each hearing. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken on non-agendized items.
- C. Independent Studies Policy and Master Agreement
Per AB130, Independent study for 2021-22 and beyond requires a new or updated board policy and master agreement.
- D. Voices Academies ESSER III Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services Plan (revised for 21-22)

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) signed into law on March 11, 2021, provided nearly \$122 billion for the Elementary and Secondary School Relief Fund (ESSER). ARP ESSER, also known as ESSER III, funds are provided to State educational agencies in the same proportion as each State received under Title I-A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) in fiscal year (FY) 2020. The U.S. Department of Education (ED) published Interim Final Requirements (IFR) on April 22, 2021 requiring Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) receiving ESSER III funds to submit an LEA Plan for the Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services. If an LEA had already developed a plan for safe return to in-person instruction and continuity of services prior to the enactment of ARP that meets the statutory requirements of section 2001, the LEA must revise and post its plan no later than six months after receiving its ESSER III funds.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting