



**GOVERNING COUNCIL**

Regular Meeting of the Southwest Preparatory Learning Center Governing Council on

Thursday, November 18, 2021

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Alissa Mavridis, James Burton, Jessica Garcia, and Chris Ortiz

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

DeEtte Peterson

**ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE**

Jonas Cossey, Lisa Mora, Maria Foster, Tonya McCullough

**PUBLIC**

Justine Vigil, Whitney Warner, Jennifer Vigil

Note – Due to COVID-19 and social distancing regulations, this meeting was held using Zoom Video Conferencing.

Note - Governing Board members visually raised their hand when saying, “All in Favor” when voting and during roll calls.

These minutes were approved on **December 16, 2021**

By a vote of **X** yes \_\_\_ no \_\_\_ absent \_\_\_ abstained

**Alissa Mavridis** President

**Tonya McCullough** Secretary

## **I. Call to Order**

By Alissa Mavridis

**Thursday, November 18, 2021, at 5:02 PM**

Regular Meeting of the Governing Council for Southwest Preparatory Learning Centers

Meeting held via Zoom and hosted by Jonas Cossey

### **A. Roll Call**

Tonya called Alissa Mavridis, James Burton, Jessica Garcia, DeEtte Peterson (absent), and Chris Ortiz

### **B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Alissa Mavridis

### **C. Adoption of the Agenda\***

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis to ADOPT the Agenda

**Seconded by** Chris Ortiz

**Carried All in Favor**

### **D. Review / Approval of Minutes from October 21, 2021, Regular Meeting\***

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis to APPROVE the minutes from the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**Seconded by** Chris Ortiz

**Carried All in Favor**

## **II. Financial Update**

### **A. Finance Committee Report (Committee met November 18, 2021, at 4:30 pm)**

Chris said the Finance Committee met today. We had slightly more income than expenditures this last month. They had three BARs, which will be explained. They are waiting on some Title 1 and ESSER funds.

### **B. Budget Adjustment Requests\***

Whitney explained the BARs to the Board.

1. SPLC\_BAR\_530-000-2122-0008-T: Transfer BAR to make the budget cleaner to our current spendings.
2. SPLC\_BAR\_530-000-2122-0009-M: Maintenance Bar to take money out of lines as they are not utilizing the funding in those areas.
3. SPLC\_BAR\_530-000-2122-0011-I: Increase Bar for Principal training.

**Motion by** Chris Ortiz that we ACCEPT BAR #8, BAR #9, and BAR #11

**Seconded by** James Burton

**Carried All in Favor**

### **C. Business Office Report**

Maria said the Business Office is settling down and moving as smoothly as can be.

Teachers are planning CBAs, with 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> having two a month. The 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders have a couple of plays they are attending.

Maria told the Board this is her last meeting and Jennifer Vigil will be replacing her. She has been working with Jennifer to make it a smooth transition for the school. She said it has been a great pleasure working for the school.

### **III. Public Comment**

(5 minutes per individual with the right to allow more time from Governing Council President)  
No public comment.

### **IV. Ongoing Governing Body Business Matters**

#### **A. Annual Training Update**

Alissa said she will reach out after the holidays to see where members are at in their training for this year. The Board discussed upcoming training in December and how many credit hours they could receive. Maria went over the purchase order process. Alissa told the Board they would like to have a retreat to discuss school strategies, hopes and plans for the future, and what is needed for the school. She will send out an email soon regarding when and where, but the timing is flexible.

### **V. SPLC Administrative Reports**

#### **A. Head Administrator Report**

Personnel – We have a teacher in-house that will be fully licensed next semester. He considers this a success story when we can grow our own. We have jobs posted to fill two positions but are working on filling one of those positions by being creative.  
Enrollment - Student count is at 160. We are capping enrollment in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade to keep enrollment consistent for the teachers.  
Testing – Our second round of district/school testing will be the week of December 6<sup>th</sup>. We will have testing data to talk about for the first time in a few years. This can be presented to the Board in the January meeting.  
Playground – This project should be on the agenda.  
Racial Awareness and Sensitivity Training – We need to formulate a response for the PED requirements under House Bill 43, which says school personnel needs to complete racial awareness and sensitivity training. We are waiting to see what PED puts together and we have the right to pursue a different track if we do not like what they put out. We are required to provide an equitable, culturally responsive environment for our students. We may need to make policy changes in our Policy Manual and adjust the Discipline Rubric slightly.

#### **B. Assistant Principal**

COVID – Lisa talked about the new Test To Stay Program. With it, we can test students and staff members at school on days one, three, and five if they were exposed to someone at school with COVID (this program does not apply for out-of-school exposures). If negative, they can remain in class and do not have to quarantine at home. We have registered for the program, have all the waivers needed, and have an implementation meeting scheduled. We will utilize PMG to come onto campus and do the testing and we will be training a few staff members to do the test as well. Parents will fill out consent forms. There is no cost to us. The PED and Department of Health are using ESSER funds to fund the program. We also got an award letter to support the program, purchase extra PPE, train additional staff, etc. Lisa answered a few questions from the Board.

Attendance – Lisa said interventions are underway. There are a large number of students on the list, but it is vastly lower than last year during remote learning.

**VI. New Business Matters**

**A. The date for the next Regular SPLC Governing Council Meeting – scheduled for Thursday, December 16, 2021, at 5:00 pm.**

**VII. Adjournment\***

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis to ADJOURN the meeting.

**Seconded by** Jessica Garcia

**Carried All in Favor**

**Meeting adjourned at 5:36 PM.**

Note: \* Indicates Action / Approved Item

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