



# SOUTHWEST PREPARATORY LEARNING CENTER

## **GOVERNING COUNCIL**

Regular Meeting of the Southwest Preparatory Learning Center Governing Council on

Thursday, October 20, 2022

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

## **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

None

## **ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE**

Jonas Cossey, Tonya McCullough, Jennifer Vigil, and Cesily Ciccarello

## **PUBLIC**

None

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 November 17, 2022

By a vote of   5   yes   0   no   0   absent   0   abstained

Alissa Mavridis President

Jessica Garcia Secretary

Prepared By: Cesily Ciccarello

**I. Call to Order**

By Alissa Mavridis

**Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 5:06PM**

Regular Meeting of the Governing Council for Southwest Preparatory Learning Centers  
Meeting was held via Zoom and hosted by Jonas Cossey

**A. Roll Call**

Cesily Ciccarello called Alissa Mavridis, James Burton, DeEtte Peterson, Chris Ortiz, Jessica Garcia, and Xavier Chavez

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Led by Alissa Mavridis

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

Jonas made a change to the agenda and added an additional BAR 0007-1M to the governing council committee reports for the budget adjustment request for our lease assistance.

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis

**Seconded by** DeEtte Peterson

**Carried All in Favor**

**D. Adoption of the minutes from September 15<sup>th</sup>, Regular Meeting\***

Alissa adopted the minutes from the September 15<sup>th</sup>, Regular Meeting along with amending the minutes by adding BAR-0007-1M and making Alissa's name correction in section 5-C.

**Motion by** Alissa to ADOPT the minutes from September 15<sup>th</sup> and the correction of her name

**Seconded by** James Burton

**Carried All in Favor**

**II. Public Comment (2 minutes per individual with the right to allow more time from the Governing Council President)**

**III. Governing Council Committee Reports**

**A. Finance Committee (Committee met October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 4:30 pm)**

DeEtte went over our check balances, revenue reports, and receiving insurance recovery money. Along with our rent reversal money which will assist us in our negative functions equaling out our balances.

**1. Budget Adjustment Requests\***

**a. SPLC-530-000-2223-0005-M**

Justine went over our maintenance bar for our operational funds. This budget adjustment request will move our budget around and make sure any negative functions are positive. She went on to say she does these "cash report(s)" on a quarterly basis and reports it to PED.

**b. SPLC-530-000-2223-0006-M**

This is also a maintenance bar for our funds-28211, the Covid Testing Grant. This bar allows us to move the budget around as well fixing any negative functions. Upon review, Jonas and Justine decided to invest

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some of the Covid Testing Grant into the Assistant Principal's Salary as she is our point of contact for testing and put the majority of it to pay for our cleaning services.

**c. SPLC-530-000-2223-0007-IB**

For our last bar, this is the building lease reimbursement we received earlier this week. With more than 100,000+ in funding, we will use this to help assist in paying our building lease.

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis to APPROVE budget requests 0005-M, 0006-M, and 0007-1B

**Seconded by** Chris Ortiz

**Carried All in Favor**

**B. Audit Committee**

Chris stated that the Audit Committee met with CLA on September 26<sup>th</sup> to chat and go over the Audit Exit Conference. Within this committee, it shows how well we are doing as a charter school. They went over their audit result and findings along with any financial highlights. Due to the guidelines of the committee, those reports will not be available to the public until they release.

**C. Ethics Committee**

James expressed they had their first meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> and will meet once every two weeks to try and react proactively to some prior backlog that they have.

**D. Strategic Planning Committee**

Alissa stated they didn't have a chance to meet in their Strategic Planning Committee. They weren't able to establish a time and day for a meeting yet due to the amount of workflow we have had.

**IV. Governing Council Discussion Items**

**A. Governing Board Training**

Alissa went over our training and where we should be with the modules, with Chris being the only one who has fully completed the training he continues to urge board members to start.

**V. Head Administrator Report**

With board training being on our topic, Jonas went on to add that the 2-day Gala Event made another training that's one day with a full 8 hours, allowing us to get them done quicker. He then goes on to our Covid-19 reports and states that although it may still be a little quiet, with the cold weather approaching, we have had several children called out, so we will continue to be caseous. He later goes over enrollment and says we have been steadily adding additional students as the school year goes by which is a positive for our charter school. Speaking of positives Jonas also added that we have a new tutor who would like to volunteer her time, half a day per week for our SPLC students. Due to our previous coach having an immediate job change, SPLC was in need of a Coach. We, fortunately, had a fellow parent step up to be a coach for our boys' basketball team. To end Jonas goes over the Challenging effects that the pandemic has left us and our students. As a staff, we

are working as a team to learn and understand how to overcome these learning obstacles, in hopes to see positive results.

## **VI. Vice Principal Report**

To start Tonya also goes over our Covid-19 report and states that we have had a few teachers and students who have tested positive, although it has been very light, we are continuing to follow CDC and PED protocols and guidelines. Next, she goes on to notify us that Equity Council is starting on the 27<sup>th</sup> of this month and will keep us updated on any changes they make. Lastly, Toya goes over some of the testing results that New Mexico PED came up with for “New Baselines”. She goes on to compare how our students at SPLC are doing on their NWEA testing compared to the new data provided, and what we as teachers and staff can do to improve testing scores.

## **VII. New Business Matters**

### **A. Next Regular SPLC Governing Council Meeting- November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 5:00pm\***

## **VIII. Adjournment\* 5:57 pm**

**Motion by** Alissa Mavridis to Adjourn

**Seconded by** Chris Ortiz

**Carried All in Favor**

**Meeting Adjourned at 5:57 pm.**

Note: \* Indicates Action / Approval Item

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