



GOVERNING COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of the Southwest Preparatory Learning Center Governing Council on
Thursday, November 21, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, Amber Romero, DeEtte Peterson

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Robert Pasztor, Maria Foster

PUBLIC

James Burton, Michael Vigil, Lisa Mora, Matthew Jackson

These minutes were approved on December 19, 2019

By a vote of X yes ___ no ___ absent ___ abstained

Aaron Redd President

Tonya McCullough Secretary

I. Call to Order

By Aaron Redd

Thursday, November 21, 2019, at 5:10 PM

Special Meeting of the Governing Council for Southwest Preparatory Learning Centers

Southwest Learning Centers Conference Room

10301 Candelaria Road NE

Albuquerque, NM 87112

A. Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, Amber Romero, and DeEtte Peterson

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Aaron Redd

Adoption of the Agenda*

Motion by Aaron Redd that we ADOPT today's agenda.

Seconded by Amber Romero

Carried All in Favor

C. Review / Approval of Minutes from October 17, 2019 Regular Meeting*

The Board had no comments.

Motion by Aaron Redd to APPROVE the minutes from the October Regular meeting.

Seconded by Marvin Larsen

Carried All in Favor

II. Financial Update

A. Finance Committee Report (Committee met on November 21, 2019 at 4:30 pm)

Marvin said they went over the financial conditions. Our receivable balance has gone down a bit, but we are not alarmed. Everything will work out.

B. Approval of BAR 530-000-1920-0004-I through -0008-I*

Mike Vigil went over the cash transfer request. It is a correction to the books from fiscal year 2016, which corrects a deficit carryover balance.

He explained the BAR's.

-0004-I: Reward from obligation bond libraries

-0005-I through -0008-I: We had more cash than what was budgeted so these are increases in each BAR. These also fix the negatives on the other reports.

Motion by Amber Romero that we APPROVE BAR's 4-I, 5-I, 6-I, 7-I, 8-I, as well as the Cash Transfer Request.

Seconded by Marvin Larsen

Carried All in Favor

C. Business Office Report

Maria said things are going really well. We are currently being visited by the technician for the laptops. They will be available for Tim and Eric if needed in the future for a block of time. She said she is still working very tightly with Justine. We have a lot of new vendors because we are sharing costs with Secondary.

D. Disposition of Inventory*

Maria explained there are two items: a broken microwave and two damaged Chromebooks. The Chromebooks will be wiped out and donated to Adelante. They are not worth anything.

Motion by DeEtte Peterson to APPROVE

Seconded by Amber Romero

Carried All in Favor

III. Closed Session*

Matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) regarding potential restitution and real estate.

Motion by Aaron Redd that we GO INTO Closed Session and that matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7), regarding potential restitution and real estate.

- He invited Robert Pasztor and outside council, Matthew Jackson

Seconded by Amber Romero

Carried All in Favor

Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, Amber Romero and DeEtte Peterson

Closed Session began at 5:26

IV. Open Session*

Motion by Amber Romero that we GO BACK INTO Open Session and confirming that matters subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(7) regarding potential restitution and real estate matters were discussed.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

Roll Call

Tonya called Aaron Redd, Alissa Mavridis, Marvin Larsen, Amber Romero and DeEtte Peterson

Open Session began at 5:44 PM

Motion by Amber Romero that we INSTRUCT our Counsel to go ahead and proceed with the privileged instructions given during Closed Session.

Seconded by Marvin Larsen

Carried All in Favor

V. Public Comment (5 minutes per individual with the right to allow more time from Governing Council President)

Maria said the Board was a lot of fun to work with and she was really pleased to be part of the institution of Southwest Preparatory, which we hope is providing the education that our new generations need, and the challenges the teachers have to support the best we have to provide to them.

VI. Ongoing Governing Body Business Matters

A. Resignation – Amber Romero

Aaron said we have the resignation of Amber Romero. She said she would send Tonya her official letter via email.

Amber said she has really enjoyed working with the Board. She said we have come really far, and felt confident our school would still do well. The Board thanked her for her leadership and friendship over the last four years.

B. New Board member applicant – James Burton*

Aaron said we have an applicant, James Burton. The Board looked over his resume and application form. There were no concerns about having him join the Board.

Motion by Aaron Redd that we ADD James Burton as our new Board member.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

C. New Board member training – Charter Newsletter

Robert shared the Charter newsletter with the Board, highlighting training James could attend for his training requirements. He will need ten hours, three of which SPLC can provide. Aaron will follow up on the training.

Amber mentioned James may be interested in joining the Finance Committee.

VII. Head Administrator Report and Summary

A. Holiday Gathering and Professional Development

Robert reviewed the ongoing staff training regarding core values. As part of the training, they shared a story about soldiers in World War I working together and eventually initiating a cease fire. SPLC and SSLC will be attending the play, “All is Calm” for their holiday gathering this year. The Board was invited as well.

B. Student Make-Up Work Policy – Lisa Mora*

Lisa shared a policy the teachers would like to add. It states students will not be given makeup work ahead of time in the case of unexcused absences (like vacations). She provided the Board with an amended Policy, and a statement for Robert to inform parents. The Board discussed and asked questions and approved the Policy.

Motion by Alissa Mavridis to APPROVE the Student Make-Up Work Policy.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

C. IT Report

Robert read the report from Tim: They are proceeding with the new laptops. There were some compatibility issues, but they should have been resolved that day. They will meet the new requirements for state testing.

VIII. New Business Matters

A. Date for next SPLC Governing Council Meeting – scheduled for Thursday, December 19, 2019 at 5:00pm

IX. Adjournment*

Motion by Amber Romero that we ADJOURN.

Seconded by DeEtte Peterson

Carried All in Favor

Adjournment at 6:07 PM

Note: * Indicates Action / Approved Item

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Tonya McCullough at tmccullough@sslc-nm.com or (505) 296-7677 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats.