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Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

Minutes

ADCO Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday June 24, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Location

Join Zoom Meeting

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Directors Present

A. Chávez (remote), A. Viscarra Gikas (remote), D. Patton (remote), L. Puig (remote), L. Santiago (remote), M. Terranova-Fissel (remote), S. Pesce (remote)

Directors Absent

G. Gonzalez, R. Penix-Tadsen, R. Rolon Dow, T. Burton

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

D. Patton

Guests Present

Cam Yorkston (remote), Debbie Panchisin, G. Panchisin (remote), Lyn Henshaw (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

D. Patton arrived at 5:28 PM.

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Puig called a meeting of the board of directors of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy to order on Thursday Jun 24, 2021 at 5:05 PM.

C. Vote to enter Executive Session

L. Santiago made a motion to enter Executive Session.
S. Pesce seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Executive Session

A. Strategic Planning

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B. Vote to Return to Public Session

M. Terranova-Fissel made a motion to return to public session.
D. Patton seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approve June meeting agenda and May meeting minutes

L. Santiago made a motion to approve the minutes from ADCO Meeting on 05-27-21.
S. Pesce seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Finance

A. Financial Reports

G. Panchisin presented the May 2021 financial reports. All reports are available on the FOC portion of the www.aspiraacademy.org
D. Patton made a motion to approve financial reports as presented.
M. Terranova-Fissel seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Finance Auditor

L. Santiago updated the board on the selection of auditor for this year. ASPIRA will continue with the same company as last year.

IV. Facility

A. School Operations and Facilities Update

G. Panchisin updated the board that construction is complete and a deep cleaning is in progress. Summer camp is being held at the East Campus and is operating at full capacity.

V. Development

A. Development Committee

M. Terranova-Fissel made a motion to to continue the partnership with Yorkston Consultants.

L. Santiago seconded the motion.

M. Terranova Fissel updated the board and led a discussion regarding continuing with Yorkston Consultants for Phase II of the Expansion Campaign.

Terranova Fissel also updated the board on future events for further board involvement with the school. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Parent/Teacher Organization

A. PTO Update

A. Viscarra Gikas updated the board from the PTO.

VII. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

A. DEI Committee

A. Viscarra Gikas explained that the DEI will meet in July.

VIII. Head of School

A. Enrollment and Academic Update

D. Panchisin presented the Head of School report on behalf of M. Lopez Waite.

IX. Board Leadership Update

A. Board Leadership Update

A. Viscarra Gikas made a motion to move forward with the 2 candidates presented.

A. Chávez seconded the motion.

L. Puig presented the candidates for the vacancies on the board as of June 2021.

L. Puig led discussion regarding candidates and their resumes. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Patton abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.

L. Santiago would like to be considered for the position of Vice Chair. Treasure and Secretary role remains unassigned to a board member. L. Puig made the recommendation to wait to fill the executive positions until the August meeting.

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Pesce