



**ALLEGIANCE STEAM ACADEMY  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**June 1, 2020  
Minutes**

**I. Preliminary**

**A. Call to Order**

*The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 7:39 pm.*

**B. Roll Call**

	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Samantha Odo, Chairperson	___X___	_____
Jason Liso, Treasurer	___X___	_____
Marcilyn Jones, Secretary	___X___	_____
Troy Stevens, Member	___X___	_____
Claudia Reynolds, Member	___X___	_____

**C. Public Comments- Items not on the Agenda**

*There were no public comments for Items not on the Agenda.*

**D. Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting for June 1, 2020**

*Motion (Jones), second (Odo), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting for June 1, 2020.*

**II. Closed Session:**

**A. Public Comments on Closed Session Items**

*There were no public comments on Closed Session Items.*

**B. Closed Session - For Discussion/Possible Action**

*Samantha Odo, Board Chair, announced the closed session at 7:43 pm to discuss Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code 54957(b)) Title: CEO/Principal.*

*Samantha Odo, Board Chair, announced the meeting was back in session at 9:05 pm. It was decided that Dr. Cognetta would receive the same compensation as last year (\$139,050). The decision to not increase his salary was in part due to Dr. Cognetta's request, in an effort to help with the budget. This decision is pending review of the contract.*

### **III. Open Session:**

#### **A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

#### **B. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:**

##### **1. Update from Parents and Community for Kids**

*PACK member Jennifer Stevens gave the following report:*

- *There were many great candidates that responded to the position of PACK Board Member. At the recent PACK meeting it was approved that Rhonda Phillips will join the PACK board. Mrs. Phillips has been a great help and a dedicated parent to the PACK. They welcome her with open arms in June.*
- *They purchased the janitorial items and delivered them to Alex Arellano.*
- *They reimbursed the school for the storage container that the PACK will be using.*
- *Around \$800 was spent from the PACK's funds for the 8th grade promotion.*

##### **2. CEO's Report**

*Dr. Cognetta gave an update on the following:*

- *Thanked the PACK for finishing the year off strong for helping with the promotion and contributing to making it a nice event.*
- *End of year:*
  - *We think we are finished with the report that will be presented regarding the school closure report (LCAP agenda item).*
  - *Proud of the team for not taking a single day off from the time the school closed and the start of distance-learning.*
  - *There was not a single school day missed for our students.*
  - *There was over 92% attendance for distance learning. We had an astonishing participation rate from our students.*
  - *Device return and personal return material went smoothly. We recently got most of our devices back and materials to students. He thanked all for making it happen.*
  - *We are continuing to receive accolades from parents for all our staff members are doing and have done (Paras, teachers, office staff, etc.).*
  - *Our audit is under way being done virtually and the necessary documents are being provided as needed.*
  - *For the opening of the 20-21 school year, nothing concrete right now. This will be a summer where we will communicate with the community often. On- June 2nd and June 16th CVUSD is holding board meetings on their budget, work sessions and on returning programs. He's been working closely with them to mirror them in regards to reopening. We might have an idea around June 16th how reopening will look like. The plan will be subject to revisions as things change.*

- *Tomorrow and next week he'll participate in webinars with the Charter School Association and Charter School Development Center on reopening.*
- *Staffing: all offers to general education teaching have been made and accepted and we are fully staffed).*
- *We are waiting on a SPED teacher and will know soon about that.*
- *We will soon move into the hourly positions.*
- *We will provide a COVID-19 report later tonight and will ask that it get tabled to allow it to be presented during a different meeting.*

### **3. Staff Report**

- *Teacher Tammy Lohoff:*
  - *Emotional end of the year, teachers were grateful to see their kids even if it was from a distance, the day went smoothly.*
  - *Excited to plan for the next year.*
  - *Staff is trying to pack up rooms at their pace so that we can be ready to add on to the additional classrooms and be prepared to start once we are able to get back on campus.*
  - *Proud of the year we ended with in spite of all of the challenges.*
  - *Admin rolled everything out so quickly and provided all with devices right away.*

### **4. PAL Report**

*Teacher Tammy Lohoff gave the following report:*

- *Last year's PALS are asking if they get to be next year's PALS. If all goes as planned they will move into a classroom and have a class all of their own. They wore their blue and gold cords that they purchased for them to be recognized at promotion.*

## **C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSENT:**

### **1. Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for May 4, 2020**

### **2. Check Register for the month of April, 2020**

*Motion (Liso), second (Odo), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting for May 4, 2020 and the Check Register for the month of April, 2020.*

## **D. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

### **1. Financial Update for April, 2020**

*Jim Weber with Charter Impact gave a presentation on the Financial Update for April, 2020.*

*Motion (Jones), second (Reynolds), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the Financial Update for April, 2020.*

### **2. Updated FY20 ASA Budget**

*Jim Weber with Charter Impact gave a presentation on the Updated FY20 ASA Budget.*

*Motion (Stevens), second (Liso), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve and adopt the Updated FY20 ASA Budget.*

**3. Board Consideration of CEO/Principal Compensation**

*Samantha Odo and Dr. Cognetta said that there is a salary freeze with the exception of those that are largely impacted by the school's growth. Dr. Cognetta requested that the board not increase his salary due to this.*

*Motion (Oáo), second (Liso), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to table the compensation for CEO/Principal until the contract is received.*

**4. Student Information System**

*Motion (Jones), second (Liso), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to adopt and approve the proposal for Student Information System PowerSchool (Dr. Cognetta recommended going with this SIS).*

**5. LCAP COVID-19 Report to the Community**

*Motion (Oáo), second (Jones), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to table the LCAP COVID-19 Report to the Community.*

**6. Board Resolution: Additional Bank Account for PPP Loan**

*Motion (Stevens), second (Liso), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to adopt and approve the Resolution: Additional Bank Account for PPP Loan.*

**7. Form 700**

*Motion (Odo), second (Jones), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to table form 700 for officers and directors.*

## **E. COMMUNICATIONS**

### **1. Comments from Board of Directors**


- *Claudia Reynolds thanked everyone for closing the school in such a positive way. She thanked the teachers for being consistent with learning and hopes everyone gets a well deserved restful summer. She said for all to continue to work harder to make this world a better place and to be positive. She also thanked all for closing the year in a positive way*
- *Troy Stevens thanked everyone for a great, successful year. He congratulated our 8th graders and was sorry that he couldn't see them promote and wished them all the best.*
- *Marcilyn Jones wished all a happy end of the school year. She thanked everyone for her certificate and plant. She wished everyone a great summer and told everyone to take time off to regroup.*

- *Jason Liso said it was a great end to the school year. He congratulated Mrs. Lohoff as our new principal. He's very concerned about how reopening in the fall will look like and is excited to dig into it. He's afraid of some of the guidelines and it frightens him. His judicial campaign closed out in March and there's a surplus of funds he was told he had to donate (\$454.00). He is choosing to donate it to ASA and is excited to do that.*
- *Samantha Odo congratulated the 8th graders. She was sad not to be able to see them walk across the stage and promote. She congratulates all students and said they kicked it out of the ballpark during distance learning as they are learning to do new things. She thanked the teachers for being amazing and not skipping a beat. She said the pick up and drop off went well and commended everyone about how smooth it was, she was in and out in 10 minutes for her two students. Congratulations to Mrs. Lohoff on the principal position. She thanked Dr. Cогnetta for the smooth year. She said that Dr. Moreno has been nothing but amazing with the students, curriculum, and with everything she's done. We all wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the team that was created.*

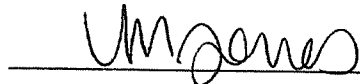
## **F. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion (Reynolds), second (Jones), motion carried by a vote of 5-0 to Adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for June 1, 2020.*

Samantha Odo, Board Chair, adjourned the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors for June 1, 2020 at 10:05 pm.



Samantha Odo, Board Chair



Marcilyn Jones, Board Secretary