

Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc.

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 15, 2020, 3050 W. Agua Fria Freeway, Suite 250, Phoenix, AZ 85027
6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order.

Mrs. Duston, president, called the meeting to order at Valley Schools Insurance Trust at 6:05pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call.

Mrs. Arlene Duston, Mrs. Vicki Boone, Mr. David Stong, Mr. Michael Deiana and Mrs. Kathryn Hedges (telephonically) were in attendance. Also present were Executive Director Ms. Barbara Dalicandro, and Mrs. Kristin Morgan of Aspire. Mrs. Duston lead the oath of office for Mrs. Boone and Mr. Deiana for their new term of office which expires in December 2021.

4. Adoption of the Agenda.

Ms. Dalicandro suggested that 9.A. be delivered during executive session. Mr. Stong made the motion to adopt the revised agenda with 9.A. moved to 11.A.; Mr. Deiana seconded the motion. Motion to adopt the agenda of January 15, 2020 passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

5. Organizational Meeting – Election of Officers.

A. Election of Board of Directors President. Mr. Stong moved to elect Mrs. Duston as president and accept the motion by unanimous consent. Mrs. Hedges seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

B. Election of Board of Directors Secretary/Treasurer. Mrs. Duston moved to elect Mr. Stong as secretary-treasurer and Mr. Deiana seconded the motion. Mrs. Duston withdrew her motion and Mr. Deiana withdrew his second yielding to Mrs. Hedges. (Vote: 4 yes-1 abstention. Boone, Deiana, Duston and Hedges voting in favor; Stong voted to abstain). Mrs. Hedges moved to elect Mr. Stong as secretary-treasurer by unanimous consent. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with a 5-0 vote. (Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

6. Public Comments. None.

Board of Directors

Arlene Duston, president ♦ David Stong, secretary/treasurer
Vicki Boone ♦ Kathryn Hedges ♦ Michael Deiana

7. Reports.

- A. Board of Directors Report. Mr. Deiana reported he had a conversation with Sandra Dowling, former Maricopa County Superintendent of Schools, and is attempting to talk with the head of Maricopa County juvenile probation to offer their students the DVA educational opportunity. Mrs. Hedges commented that it was great to have a full 5-member board again.
- B. Executive Director Report. Ms. Barbara Dalicandro held her report for Executive Session. She invited the Board to the 100th Day celebration at 5:30pm on February 11.

8. Approval of Minutes.

- A. Mr. Stong moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting of December 17, 2019. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion. Motion to approve the minutes passed (4 Yes – 1 abstention: Boone, Deiana, Duston, and Hedges voting in favor while Mr. Stong abstained).

9. Other Reports.

- A. The regular financial report was presented by Mrs. Kristin Morgan in Executive Session.

10. New Business.

- A. Approval of Proclamation for National School Choice Week. Mr. Stong moved to declare January 26-February 1, 2020 as National School Choice Week at Deer Valley Academy. Mr. Deiana seconded the motion. Ms. Dalicandro stated that Career Night with guest speakers is planned on January 29. Motion passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

11. CALL for an EXECUTIVE SESSION.

- A. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1 – Discussion or consideration of employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salaries, disciplining or resignation of a public officer, appointee or employee of any public body. Principal/Executive Director/Staff**
- B. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.7 – Discussions or consultations with designated representatives of the public body in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for purchase, sale or lease of real property.**

Mr. Stong moved to enter into executive session at 6:25pm. Mrs. Hedges seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

Mr. Stong moved to return to public session at 7:31pm. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

12. Action if Any From Executive Session.

Mr. Stong moved to approve modifications to staff salaries, as necessary. Mrs. Boone seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

13. Adjournment.

At 7:32pm, Mr. Stong moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Deiana seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. (5-0: Boone, Deiana, Duston, Hedges and Stong voting in favor).

Approved: _____ Dated: _____