

Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc.

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Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc.

Location: Valley Schools Insurance Trust, 3050 W. Agua Fria Fwy, Ste 250, Phoenix, AZ 85027

Date: August 12, 2020 at 6:00PM

1. **Call to Order.** Mrs. Duston called the special meeting of the Deer Valley Charter Schools Inc. to order at 6:09PM on August 12, 2020 at the Valley Schools Insurance Trust.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Board members stood to repeat the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call.** Present were Board Members David Stong telephonically, Michael Deiana and Arlene Duston. Absent were Vicki Boone and Katheryn Hedges due to illness. Also present was Executive Director Barbara Dalicandro. Mrs. Duston appointed Mr. Deiana as secretary for the meeting. Attendees were 'masked up.'
4. **Adoption of the Agenda.** Mr. Deiana moved to adopt the agenda as posted. Mr. Stong seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).
5. **Public Comments.** None.
6. **Reports**
 - A. Board of Directors Report. None
 - B. Executive Director Report by Ms. Barbara Dalicandro. None
7. **Approval of Minutes.**
 - A. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors for Deer Valley Charter Schools, Inc. dated July 29, 2020. Mr. Deiana moved to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2020 special meeting. Mr. Stong seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).
8. **New Business.**
 - A. **Distance Learning Plan.** Ms. Dalicandro explained the need for this plan per state direction. Hundreds of emails came from the Arizona Governor's office, State Department of Education and the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools regarding the requirements for opening school in the midst of the COVID 19 pandemic. All school districts and charter schools are mandated to submit a Distance Learning Plan for 2020. This plan was developed by school leadership and master teachers, then teachers and staff were asked to read and make suggestions to finalize the plan. Mr. Stong moved to approve the Distance Learning Plan and Mr. Deiana seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).

Board of Directors

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

B. AZ: Open for Learning Plan. Ms. Dalicandro stated this plan is also required by the educational agencies of the state. It includes a letter prepared for parents stating procedures at the building site, timeframe of school, expectations to reduce contamination of the COVID 19 virus and student conduct. Also included are the mitigation plan, on-site learning plan, and COVID-19 protocols. This plan demonstrates the focus of Deer Valley Academy to take care of students. Mr. Stong moved to approve the AZ: Open for Learning Plan. Mr. Deiana seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).

9. 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 the purchase, sale or lease of real property.

At 6:28PM, Mr. Deiana moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.1 and A.R.S. §38-431.03.A.7. Mr. Stong seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).

At 6:47PM, Mr. Stong moved to return to public session. Mr. Deiana seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).

10. Action if any from Executive Session. No action.

11. Adjournment. Mr. Stong moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:48PM. Mr. Deiana seconded the motion and it passed with a vote of 3-0. (Voting in favor were Deiana, Duston and Stong).

Approval: _____ **Date:** _____