

EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Open Session - 5:00 p.m.

APRIL 2, 2020

REACH LSA GOVERNING BOARD:

Trayci Nelson- President
Carla Crow- Vice President
Frederica Bush- Secretary
Ahlam Atwan- Member
Jennifer Boren- Member
Robert Miller- Member
Ashleigh Reid- Member

MISSION STATEMENT

REACH Leadership STEAM Academy is a college preparatory elementary school which is dedicated to bridging the socioeconomic, racial, and digital divide for underserved youth. Our dedicated and highly trained teaching staff is committed to preparing our students for success in college and equipping them to meet the demands of a global society. We are committed to developing confident, articulate leaders who will use their life experiences and education to create positive changes in their own lives and within their communities and beyond.

OUR PROGRAM

REACH's research-based curriculum is Common Core ready. We use thoroughly researched strategies with proven success records to guide instruction. Our core curriculum addresses the whole child and is designed to meet their individual needs. Students are taught at their instructional level giving every student universal access. REACH is a STEM + Art focused school with an increased emphasis in Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, & Math. Our Core Curriculum includes Language Arts, Mathematics, History & Social Science, Physical Education, Foreign Language, and Global Literacy.

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Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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The Governing Board's presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

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GENERAL SESSION

1. Call to Order
 - 1.1. Meeting is called to order at: 5:08 p.m.

Member Name	Present	Absent
Ahlam Atwan	X	
Jennifer Boren	X	
Frederica Bush	X	
Carla Crow	X	
Robert Miller	X	
Trayci Nelson	X	
Ashleigh Reid	X	
Totals:	7	

2. Introduction of Guests
 - 2.1. Corinna Davisdon
 - 2.2. Julie Boyer
 - 2.3. Rachel Staylor
3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion: CC Second: AR Vote: Motion Carries

Comments and Notes:

4. Invitation to the Public to Address the Board

5. Reports

- 5.1. Director's Report:
 Discussion topic: School Closure for the Remainder of the Academic School Year.

Comments and Notes:

- The Public Health Officer of the County of Riverside has issued an order that schools remain closed until June 19, 2020.
- Effective April 1, 2020, all schools, colleges and universities within the jurisdiction of the Public Health Officer of the County of Riverside shall remain closed through June 19, 2019.



- The order supersedes the prior order of March 17, 2020 which allowed schools to resume May 1, 2020.
- Schools have the discretion to determine minimum personnel as required to support critical functions.
- This approach is recommended to slow the transmission of the COVID-19.
- Effective Wednesday, March 16, REACH teachers began providing distance learning opportunities for grades 3-6 and enrichment activities for grades TK-2.
- REACH shall continue to deliver high-quality educational opportunities to students.
- A continuum of services are provided:
 - Zoom meetings and Google Classroom to grades 3-6
 - Zoom and Seesaw for TK-2nd
 - All classes TK-2 are moving to online portals to provide instruction.
 - Alternate packets for families without internet or tech are provided weekly.
 - REACH is working with parents who are without internet.
 - The school has distributed Chromebooks to all families in 2-6 who are in need.
 - Administration will continue to checkin and provide assistance by way of training and 1:1 coaching to teachers as needed.
- It is recommended that distance learning end May 29, allowing teachers two weeks to calculate grades and close out the year.
- School will explore Promotion exercises in June, circumstances allowing.
- REACH will continue to provide free meals to families via the Summer Meal Waiver program.
- At a later date, REACH would like to consider opening its facility to childcare options in order to provide relief to parents that must return to work.
- Grades will default to trimester two marks and can only increase in the final trimester so as not to penalize students for any barriers to completing the work assignments.
- February ADA will be used as P2 apportionment for the remainder of the year.
- The main office shall remain closed for the next two weeks and will resume normal, essential business effective April 20.

6. Action Items

- 6.1. **School Closure:** Due to social distancing measures implemented as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic, students in the state of California will not return to their school sites for the remainder of the 2019-20 academic school year. The State of Superintendent of Instruction urges districts to continue with distance learning. In a press conference on April 1st, Governor Gavin Newsom made a similar statement. It is recommended that the REACH Governing Board vote on a closure based on feedback from state and local officials.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:



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State Superintendent Distance Learning Recommendation Letter

March 31, 2020: Letter to County Superintendents regarding distance learning recommendations.

Motion: TN Second: CC Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Atwan	X			
Jennifer Boren	X			
Frederica Bush				X
Carla Crow	X			
Robert Miller	X			
Trayci Nelson	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:	6			1

7. Board Comments

7.1. Name:

7.2. Name:

8. Adjournment

8.1. Meeting adjourned at: 5:57 p.m.

Motion: JB Second: RM

Next board meeting date: April 20, 2020