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Open Session-6:00 p.m.

March 27, 2023

REACH LSA GOVERNING BOARD:

Trayci Nelson- President
Carla Crow- Vice President
Ahlam Gheith- Member
Jennifer Boren- Member
Angel Braach- Member
Patricio Perez- 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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GENERAL SESSION

1. Housekeeping and Procedural Announcements
 - 1.1. **Announcements:**
 - 1.1.1. EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 TELECONFERENCE FLEXIBILITY
This meeting is being held pursuant to the procedures established in Executive Order N-29-20 issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17th, 2020. All council members May attend the meeting by teleconference. This meeting will be a virtual meeting only. The public may observe and address the meeting via Zoom.
 - 1.1.2. NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:
Public comment may be (1) emailed to publiccomment@reachroyals.org; (2) using the same URL, submitting a request for oral comment only when the matter is called, instead of a written comment, or (3) fill out a public comment card before the start of the meeting (in-person meetings only). Regardless of the method by which public comment is submitted, the submission deadline for session items shall be no later than noon the day of the scheduled board

meeting. Individual written public comments shall be no more than two minutes in length on each agenda or nonagenda item. The Board shall limit the total time for public comment on each agenda item, including communications and organizational reports, to 15 minutes in length. With Board consent, the board president may increase or decrease the length of time allowed for public comment, depending on the topic and the number of written public comments.

1.1.3. ANNOUNCEMENT

Should the meeting encounter any security breach or an inappropriate issue, the meeting shall be ended immediately and rescheduled as soon as practical.

2. Call to Order

2.1. The meeting is called to order at: 6:15 pm

Member Name	Present	Absent
Ahlam Gheith		X
Jennifer Boren	X	
Angel Braach	X	
Carla Crow		X
Trayci Nelson		X
Patricio Perez	X	
Ashleigh Reid	X	
Totals:	4	3

3. **Approval of Board Findings Relating to Teleconference Meetings During State of Emergency.**

3.1. *Board findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).* The Charter School Board of Directors determines, in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B), that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), the Board has also reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, and finds the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the Directors to meet safely in person and/or that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

Comments and Notes:

Move to remove.

Attachments:

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				
Jennifer Boren				
Angel Braach				
Carla Crow				
Trayci Nelson				
Patricio Perez				
Ashleigh Reid				
Totals:				

4. Introduction of Guests

- 4.1. Amita Parikh
- 4.2. Zahira Scott
- 4.3. Rocio McFadden
- 4.4. Barrera
- 4.5. Demetrius Williams

5. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion: AB Second: PP Vote: Motion Carries

Comments and Notes: Strike Item 3 re; zoom teleconference for meetings

6. Invitation to the Public to Address the Board

7. Reports

- 7.1. Financial Report by Edtec

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

[REACH- FY 23 Feb Financials.pdf](#)

- 7.2. Safety & Crime Prevention Plan Presentation

Comments and Notes:

Formal report by the Director of Safety and Operations and Technology Coordinator

Attachments:

[Safety and Crime Prevention Plan](#)



7.3. Executive Director's Report

7.3.1. Charter Renewal

7.3.1.1. Submittal of charter petition will take place this Friday.

7.3.1.2. Anticipated RUSD board Hearing Thursday, June 29

7.3.1.2.1. Need board and entire REACH family to support with Tshirts and excitement.

7.3.1.2.2. Also requesting Material Revision to add grades 7 & 8 grades.

7.3.1.2.3. The hearing for the charter renewal and the material revision will be held on the same night but will be separate action items.

7.3.1.3. REACH has met the criteria for renewal established in EC § 47607(c)(2)(B)(ii):

7.3.1.3.1. Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), if the two consecutive years immediately preceding the renewal decision include the 2019-20 or 2020-21 school year, the **chartering authority shall not deny renewal for a charter school if either of the following apply for two of the most recent years for which state data is available preceding the renewal decision:**

7.3.1.3.2. (i) The charter school has received the two highest performance levels schoolwide on all the state indicators included in the evaluation rubrics adopted pursuant to Section 52064.5 for which it receives performance levels.

7.3.1.3.3. (ii) **For all measurements of academic performance, the charter school has received performance levels schoolwide that are the same or higher than the state average and, for a majority of subgroups performing statewide below the state average in each respective year; received performance levels that are higher than the state average.** (Emphasis added.)

7.3.1.3.4. The two years preceding the renewal decision for which state data is available are 2019 and 2022. In both of these years, REACH attained performance levels schoolwide that are higher than the state average. Further, in 2019 and 2022 REACH had numerically significant subgroups that completed testing (n > 30). **Each of these REACH subgroups received performance levels that are higher than the state average.**

7.3.1.3.5. Performance Data

Calif Science Test (CAST):



2022 CAST Data "Met or Exceeded"			
	REACH	State data	Difference
Total population	59.3	29.45	29.85
Black or African American	47.05	13.71	33.34
Hispanic or Latino	63.83	18.26	45.57
Students with disabilities	7.14	8.36	-1.22
Economically disadvantaged	54.34	18.5	35.84

SBAC by Student Groups:

2022 CAASPP Data "Met or Exceeded"				
	REACH CAASPP Data	REACH	State data	Difference
Total population	ELA	59.65	47.06	12.59

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	Mathematics	44.6	33.38	11.22
Asian	ELA	81.82	75.27	6.55
	Mathematics	72.72	69.46	3.26
Black or African American	ELA	43.84	30.33	13.51
	Mathematics	24.66	15.93	8.73
Hispanic or Latino	ELA	63.91	36.4	27.51
	Mathematics	49.41	21.24	28.17
Two or more races	ELA	57.14	59.88	-2.74
	Mathematics	40	47.05	-7.05
Students with disabilities	ELA	19.56	15.61	3.95
	Mathematics	13.05	11.41	1.64
Economically disadvantaged	ELA	53.17	35.24	17.93
	Mathematics	41.74	21.23	20.51
English Learner	ELA	12.5	12.47	0.03
	Mathematics	17.64	9.71	7.93

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

8. Approval of Consent Items

- 8.1. ~~Minute~~ Meetings Minutes: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve Meeting Minutes for February 27, 2023.

Comments and Notes: Delete Table 8.1

Attachments:

[Meeting Minutes February 27, 2023](#)

- 8.2. Check Registers: Is it recommended that the RLSA School Board approve February 2023 Check Registers:

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

[Check Registers - February 2023](#)

Motion: JB Second: AB Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:	4			3

9. Action Items

- 9.1. Revised Teacher Salary: In order to stay competitive with surrounding districts and charter schools in an environment of teacher shortages, it is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Revised Teacher Salary schedule which includes increases in pay due to expected cost of living adjustment (COLA) increases. New salaries are pending the Governor's revised budget in May.

Comments and Notes: Revise row 11, year 10 middle column

Attachments:

[Revised Teacher Salary Schedule](#)

Motion: AR Second: JB Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:		4		3

- 9.2. Proposed REACH Middle School Entitled Proposal: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Proposal for Civil Engineering Services for Entitlements at REACH Leadership Middle School.

Comments and Notes: REACH personnel will be submitting a variety of proposals for board approval throughout MS construction. Epic Engineer is the firm chosen by the school to create the **grading plan** for the construction project (sewer, WQMP, parcel merger, etc.). Epic's cost was the most competitive in comparison to other firms that bid on the project.

Attachments:

[Proposed REACH Middle School Entitled Proposal](#)

Motion: AB Second: PP Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			

Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:		4		3

9.3. Psyched Services School Contract: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Psyched Services School Contract for Special Education services. Psyched is a special education service provider that is contracted with the charter school to provide oversight and training to Behavioral Interventionists (BI) in an effort to get them Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) certified.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

[Psyched Services School Contract](#)

Motion: AB Second: AR Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:		4		3

9.4. Smoking Policy Addendum: It is recommended that the RLSA school board approve the addendum to the Staff Handbook adding a Smoking Policy which includes the prohibition of vaping on school grounds.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

[Smoking Policy Addendum Staff Handbook](#)

Motion: JB Second: PP Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:	4			3

- 9.5. The Board will consider and possibly approve submission of a charter petition material revision, and also to seek charter renewal as a high-performing school.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

Motion: AR Second: PP Vote:

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Ahlam Gheith				X
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson				X
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid	X			
Totals:	4			3

10. Board Comments

- 10.1. Ashleigh Reid - Kudos to everyone involved in the performance of the students! She is very excited and amazed !
- 10.2. Patricio Perez - Is there any plan for the material revision in case of any issues?

11. Adjournment

11.1. Meeting adjourned at: 7:02 pm

Motion: JB

Second:AR

Next board meeting date: April 24th at 6 pm.