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REACH Leadership STEAM Academy -

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June 26, 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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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. Housekeeping and Procedural Announcements
 - 1.1. **Announcements:**
 - 1.1.1. 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 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 comment shall be no more than two minutes in length on each agenda or non agenda 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.

1.1.2. 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: 6:09 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:	6	1

3. Introduction of Guests

- 3.1. Annete Templeton
- 3.2. Zahira Scott
- 3.3. Brian, Julie, and James Slusser
- 3.4. Amita Parikh
- 3.5. Maria Maness
- 3.6. Kimmerly Moss
- 3.7. Demetrius Williams

4. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion: AB Second: AA Vote: Motion Carries

Comments and Notes:

5. Invitation to the Public to Address the Board

6. Reports

6.1. LCAP Presentation (Final Iteration) by Assistant Principal

Comments and notes:

Attachments: [LCAP Presentation](#)

6.2. Financial Report by Edtec

Comments and notes:

Attachments: [May 2023 Financial Report](#)

6.3. Director's Report-

- LCAP Parent Budget Overview
 - Projected Revenue \$10.5M
 - \$7.35M LCFF
 - LCFF Funds generated based on percentage of High Needs: \$730k
 - Budgeted expenditures not included in the LCAP will be used for:
 - Certified and classified salaries,
 - Employee benefits
 - Contracted services
 - Capital outlay
 - Other support costs relate to facilities upkeep, maintenance
 - Other outgo, such as copier costs, marketing, communication expenses, etc.
 - Increased services for High Needs Scholars
 - Nearly all goals, actions, services increase or improve services for high-needs scholars, including STEAM-focused activities.
 - \$100k has been set aside to specifically target enrichment activities for scholars who are at or above grade level
- Enrollment Update (2023-24)
 - All grade levels projected to be at capacity next academic year
 - Waitlist in grades TK-4th.
- Board Hearing
 - Next board meeting June 29
 - Final Decision Rendered by District
 - District Response:
 - ☰ RUSD Report for REACH Renewal Petition 6.13.23
 - Requesting updates to the educational plan
 - Stated as “Findings” in actuality most of the items are requests of which we have already replied
 - REACH failed to attach several appendices that were attachments from prior years
 - The district has all of those documents and more.
 - School takes ownership and will provide those attachments (bylaws, job descriptions)



- Need to remove an RUSD reference that we did not catch (SPED services are no longer under RUSD)
- District stated it could not locate our Universal Complaint Procedures. Item was located on our website. We provided the link. But it still showed up in the report.
- District stated that the financials were incomplete. We completed the financials that we have always submitted for a renewal hearing. Furthermore, according to the statute for high-performing charters: *"A charter that satisfies the [high-performing] criteria in subparagraph (A) or (B) shall only be required to update the petition to include a reasonably comprehensive description of any new requirement of charter schools enacted into law after the charter was originally granted or last renewed and as necessary to reflect the current program offered by the charter."*
- The one item that could be considered a "finding" possibly is the Item 6, admission preferences. Based on incorrect information, we removed the reference to giving RUSD students preference in the lottery. Preference was given to Highland Elementary School (in district) but not to all RUSD schools. According to Education Code section 47605(e)(2)(b), preference shall be given to students currently attending the charter school and to pupils who reside in the school district..."
- REACH will address this error in the petition.
- REACH crafted response to the District which I will share with REACH Board tomorrow.
- Final outcome:
 - Recommending 5 year renewal
 - School has 1 year to update petition
 - If deemed appropriate, the district may grant an additional 2 years
- School contends that the requests are benign and can provide those items now as we have already demonstrated our ability to do so.
- No need trouble the RUSD board with another hearing for an additional 2 years
- District mentioned it needs to update its policies per the statute and will do so this July.
- Stated that it does not have the ability to go beyond 5 years currently.
- Material Revision
 - Change in location
 - Building onto existing site
 - Due to change in location, the board asserts it could not make a decision on the renewal and would have to deny
 - Will update petition with all of the items as outlined
 - Will update the petition with the new location and resubmit.



- Board is aware and is expecting a submission in the near future
- Dress Code
 - Staying with White OxforDs
 - Adding ties in House Colors
 - Smocks for TK/K
 - Vests are another option to preserve white shirts
- Edtec- SOW
 - Set to auto-renew
 - Back office service renewal SOW
 - Fixed annual fee is increasing by 5% to \$152,250
 - CALPADS service increased by 5% to \$8,682.00
 - Attachment: [SOW #11](#)
 - Attachment: [SOW #12](#)
- School Calendar
 - Calendar Link: [RLSA School Calendar 23-24](#)
 - Includes:
 - 3 STEAM/ELOP days (9/29, 3/8, 6/7)
 - Parent Conference Week (Oct. 23-27)
 - Last week of school- Minimum Days (Jun 10-14)
 - Teachers' last day (Jun 14)
 - Min Day: 46
 - Regular Days: 137
 - Total Days: 183/180
 - Requires Board approval
- Asking if board can convene to approve:
 - Updated School Calendar which included ELOP Days
 - ELOP Spending Plan before June 30.
 - Proposed date: Wednesday, 6/28

7. Approval of Consent Items

- 7.1. Minute Meetings: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve Meeting Minutes for May 22, 2023.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [May 22, 2023 Minutes](#)

- 7.2. Check Registers: Is it recommended that the RLSA School Board approve May 2023 Check Registers:

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [May 2023 Check Registers](#)

Motion: AA 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:	5		1	1

8. Action Items

- 8.1. REACH Leadership STEAM Academy Comprehensive School Safety Plan: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Safety & Crime Prevention Plan for the 2023-2024 SY. The School Comprehensive Safety Plan is required to be updated annually. The plan includes a Disaster Preparedness Plan, Safety Drill procedures, Bullying Prevention, etc.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [RLSA Safety & Crime Prevention Plan](#)

Motion: PP 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:	5		1	1

8.2. Declaration of Need: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Declaration of Need. The Commission of Teacher Credentialing requires each board of directors to approve in public session, a Declaration of Anticipated Need in terms of staffing vacancies in which emergency credentials may apply to regular teaching positions or long term (over 30 days in the same assignment) substitute positions.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Declaration of Need](#)

Motion: AA 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:	5		1	1

8.3. REACH EPA Spending Plan & Resolution: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approve the spending plan & resolution. The Education Protection Agency (EPA) funding is allocated to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) pursuant to Section 36 of Article XIII of the California Constitution. It is a component of the LEA's total LCFF entitlement calculated in the Principal Apportionment.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [REACH EPA Spending Plan & Resolution](#) and [EPA Spending](#)

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:	5		1	1

8.4. REACH Reimbursement Resolution: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approved the reimbursement resolution for the facilities bond. The Resolution declares that the corporation intends to participate in borrowing in the next 18 months and intends to reimburse itself from proceeds of a future borrowing of capital expenditures.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [REACH Reimbursement Resolution](#)

Motion: AA 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:				

8.5. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Parent Overview: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approve the 2023-24 Local Control Accountability plan. The LCAP is a three year-plan that describes the goals, actions, services, and expenditures to support positive student outcomes that address state and local priorities. The REACH LCAP includes \$1.3M in total budgeted expenditures.

Comments and notes:

Attachments: See LCAP Presentation

Motion: AB Second: AA 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:	5		1	1

8.6. Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget Approval: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approve the FY 2023-24 Budget.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [FY 24 Budget](#)

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:	5		1	1

8.7. El Paseo Staffing: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approve the El Paseo Staffing for a continued partnership with its staffing agency for the purpose of providing

uninterrupted services to scholars with special needs. Services include OT, Speech, Psych services, etc.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [El Paseo Staffing](#) and [REACH Academy Agreement](#)

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:	5		1	1

8.8. Arts, Music and Instructional Materials Block Grant: It is recommended that the RLSA Board approve the Arts, Music and Instruction Block Grant.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Art, Music, and Instructional Materials Block Grant](#)

Motion: AB Second: AA 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:	5		1	1

8.9. Board Member Election: Is it recommended that the RLSA Board governing board approve the re-election of **Ahlam Gheith** for a 1- year position as a parent member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

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		1	1

8.10. Board Member Election: Is it recommended that the RLSA Board governing board approve the re-election of **Patricio Perez** for a 1- year position as a parent member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

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		1

8.11. Board Member Election: Is it recommended that the RLSA Board governing board approve the re-election of **Angel Braach** for a 1- year position as a parent member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

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				
Totals:		4		1

8.12. Board Member Election: Is it recommended that the RLSA Board governing board approve the re-election of **Ashleigh Reid** for a 1- year position as a parent member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

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:	5		1	1

8.13. Community Member Election: It is recommended that the RLSA governing board elect **Maria Maness** for a 2-year position as a community member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

Motion: PP 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:	5		1	1

8.14. Community Member Election: It is recommended that the RLSA governing board elect **Kimmery Moss** for a 2-year position as a community member.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments:

Motion: AB Second: PP Vote: Motion Carries

Member Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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Ahlam Gheith	X			
Jennifer Boren	X			
Angel Braach	X			
Carla Crow				X
Trayci Nelson	X			
Patricio Perez	X			
Ashleigh Reid			X	
Totals:		5		1
			1	1

9. Board Comments

- 9.1. Director requests special board meeting on Wednesday, June 28 to approve (1) school calendar and (2) ELOP. Most members are available. Will meet at 6 pm
- 9.2. Board president requests board retreat in August
- 9.3. Ms. Broch observed fewer girls playing soccer. Has anyone noticed? What's being done to encourage more girls to participate?

10. Adjournment

10.1. Meeting adjourned at: 8:13 PM

Motion: JB Second: AB

Next board meeting date:

- Special Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 28th @ 6 pm
- First meeting of the new SY: Monday, August 28th @ 6 pm