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REACH Leadership STEAM Academy -

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Meeting Location:

3422 Rustin Ave.
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Open Session - 6:00 p.m.

August 28, 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
Maria Maness - Member
Kimmery Moss - 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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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: 6:21 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	
Maria Maness	x	
Kimmery Moss	x	
Totals:	7	2

3. Introduction of Guests

- 3.1. Annete Templeton
- 3.2. Zahira Scott
- 3.3. Rocio Mcfadden
- 3.4. Julie Slusser
- 3.5. Jean Velasco
- 3.6. Asma Mohamed
- 3.7. Alicia Cao
- 3.8. Caroline Herrera
- 3.9. Amita Parikh
- 3.10. Delfina Chavez
- 3.11. Michelle Kinsman
- 3.12. Brittney Warren
- 3.13. Bidemi Omotade
- 3.14. Nehal Suleiman
- 3.15. Yumo Lin
- 3.16. Mark Catren
- 3.17. Mayurilen Abac
- 3.18. Gabriella Estrada
- 3.19. Christina Gomez

3.20. Nataly Mylmar

4. Review and Approval of Agenda

Motion: AB Second: AR Vote: Motion Carries

Comments and Notes:

5. Invitation to the Public to Address the Board
Michelle Kinsman - confused by the updated uniform policy re: dresses.

6. Reports

6.1. Financial Report by Edtec

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [FY23 End of the Year Financials](#)

6.2. Director's Report

Comments and Notes:

- Enrollment Update
 - Full Capacity
 - 644
 - Waitlists:
 - All 312
 - TK 53 (enough to add an additional class of 20)
 - K 76
 - Available Seats:
 - 6th 4
- Renewal Petition update
 - Final Outcome from RUSD board meeting on June 28, 2023
 - Petition approved unanimously for 5 yr term
 - Within 1 year, if REACH provides requested additional information to the proposal, the RUSD Board will grant add'l two years to petition.
 - Proposed date to submit items: Sept. 11
 - Only question is whether REACH will also be granted additional year per governor's charter school extension effective 2023:
 - California *Education Code (EC)* Section 47607.4, which was amended by Senate Bill 114 [Chapter 48, Statutes of 2023], states the following [**bold emphasis added**]:



- “Notwithstanding the renewal process and criteria established in Sections 47605.9, 47607, and 47607.2 or any other law, effective July 1, 2021, all charter schools whose term expires on or between January 1, 2022, and June 30, 2025, inclusive, shall have their term extended by two years, and **all charter schools whose term expires on or between January 1, 2024, and June 30, 2027, inclusive, shall have their term extended by one additional year.**”
- Material Revision Update
 - Once the following has been finalized, REACH plans to resubmit plan for material revision to add 7-8 grades:
 - Church approval for parking lot expansion (add'l 30 spaces)
 - Cost projections
 - School Affordability
 - Groundwork
 - Site plan
 - Cost feasibility
 - Meetings w GUMC
 - Planning meeting w City of Riverside (8/23)
 - Chief concern is traffic
- School Closure
 - Due to uncertainty of Tropical storm brought on by Hurricane Hilary, school was closed on Monday, August 21, 2023
- ELOP
 - First ELOP Days
 - First ELOP Day, September 29 (3 days total)
 - Community Partners
 - Music: Crescendo- Kybra Minese
 - Art: Riverside Art Museum (RAM)
 - Science: Discovery Center
 - Movement: Parkour/Sports Academy
 - Proposed time: 7:45a-1p
 - BRIDGE ASP will start immediately following.
 - Teachers
 - Data Digs
 - Planning
 - Sports Academy
 - Free for all
- Board photos for the website
 - Next board meeting



- 6:00: Photos
- 6:30: Open Session
- Dress: Business casual
- Board Training
 - Dates Proposed
 - Location: TBD
- Board Meeting Date proposal below.
 - Proposed Board Meeting Date Changes: Request is to move monthly meetings to the 4th Tuesday of every month with exception for the month of December. See proposed dates below:

BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE		
DAY	DATE	TIME
Mon	28 Aug 23	6:00 PM
Tues	26 Sept 23	6:15 PM
Tues	24 Oct 23	6:15 PM
Tues	28 Nov 23	6:15 PM
Tues	19 Dec 23	6:15 PM
Tues	23 Jan 24	6:15 PM
Tues	27 Feb 24	6:15 PM
Tues	26 Mar 24	6:15 PM
Tues	23 Apr 24	6:15 PM
Tues	28 May 24	6:15 PM
Tues	25 Jun 24	6:15 PM

- Saying Goodbye to Amita Parika, Edtec
 - REACH-Edtec partnership since our development stages
 - Amita became our client manager at a crucial time and provided consistency at a time when the school was undergoing many changes.
 - Looking forward to continuing our partnership with Edtec.
 - Certainly Amita her all the best in her new post.

Attachments: None

7. Approval of Consent Items

7.1. Minute Meetings: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve Meeting Minutes for June 26, 2023.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [June 26, 2023 Minute Meetings](#)

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

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Check Registers - July 2023](#)

Motion: PP Second: MM 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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:		7		2

8. Action Items

8.1. Psych Services: It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the Psyched Services School Contract for the 2023/24 school year.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Psyched Services School Contract 23-24 SY](#)

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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:	7			2

- 8.2. CM Construction: It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the contract between RLSA and NEFF Construction, Inc for construction management services relating to the construction of the middle school “the project”.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [CM Construction Contract](#)

Motion: AR

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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:	7			2

- 8.3. ATX Service Agreement: It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the ATX service agreement.

Comments and Notes: Table until next meeting - September 26th

Attachments: [ATX Service Agreement](#)

Motion: Second: Vote:

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

- 8.4. Consolidated Application for Title Funding: It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the consolidated application in order to secure Title Funding for the upcoming school year. The Consolidated Application (ConApp) is used by the California Department of Education (CDE) to distribute categorical funds from various federal programs to county offices, school districts, and direct-funded charter schools throughout California. The school must apply annually in order to receive Title Funding and must agree to participate in the monitoring process regarding the use of said funds according to the standards and criteria set forth by the California Department of Education Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) Office.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Consolidated Application for Title Funding](#)

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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:		7		2

8.5. Employee Handbook - It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the changes made to the employee handbook regarding smoking/vaping on school grounds.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [2023/24 Employee Handbook](#)

Motion: AB Second: MM 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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:		7		2

8.6. Employee Handbook Amendments 23/24: It is recommended that the RLSA board approve the Employee Handbook Amendments for the 2023/2024 school year.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Employee Handbook Amendment 23/24](#)

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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:	7			2

- 8.7. Proposed Calendar Date Changes: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the proposed date changes adding consistency to the board calendar by having each meeting fall on the 4th Tuesday of each month during the school year. The only proposed difference is in the month of December due to the Winter Break.

Comments and Notes: Proposed new start time 6:15 pm. Strike attachment.

Attachments:

Motion: PP Second: MM 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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:	7			2

8.8. Promotion and Retention Policy: It is recommended that the RLSA School Board approve the Promotion and Retention Policy. REACH has adopted and follows a Student Success Team (“SST”) Policy to establish and implement student achievement and intervention strategies in a timely manner.

Comments and Notes:

Attachments: [Promotion and Retention Policy](#)

Motion: AR 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			
Maria Maness	X			
Kimmery Moss	X			
Totals:	7			2

9. Board Comments

9.1. Trayci - Welcomes our 2 new board members

10. Adjournment

10.1. The meeting adjourned at: 7:37

Motion: JB Second: MM

Next board meeting date: Tuesday, September 26th 6:15 pm