

Board President Beck read aloud the notices regarding meeting logistics and accommodations.

Claudette Beck called a meeting of the board of directors of Assurance Learning Academy to order on Tuesday Jul 19, 2022 at 1:30 PM.

B. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Secretary Adams led the pledge of allegiance.

D. Staff Introductions

Jeff Brown, CEO
Jeri Vincent, Corporate Secretary
Michelle Berry, Area Superintendent
Taera Childers, Area Superintendent
Julie Parra, Area Superintendent
Liliana Childs, Principal
Rachel Taggert, Principal
Sharon Smyth, Principal
Jeff Martineau, V.P. of Charter Relations
Bill Thompson, Legal Counsel
Michelle Lopez, Legal Counsel, LLAC

E. Adopt Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361

Jeff Martineau discussed Assembly Bill 361, signed by Governor Newsom on September 16, 2021, and explained that the law exempts the board from certain provisions of the Brown Act related to teleconference meetings during states of emergency, as long as the Board makes required findings as detailed in the law. Under AB 361, boards that would like to continue to meet remotely must determine by majority vote whether, as a result of the state of emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. Mr. Martineau directed the board members to the resolution located in their packet and recommended the board approve the Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

Victoria Hancock made a motion to adopt Resolution Continuing Board of Directors' Authority to Hold Virtual or Teleconference Meetings Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361.

Michael Molloy seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael R Adams Aye
Claudette Beck Aye
Michael Molloy Aye
Victoria Hancock Aye

F. Approve Agenda for the July 19, 2022, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors

Michael R Adams made a motion to approve Agenda for the July 19, 2022, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Victoria Hancock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael Molloy Aye
Michael R Adams Aye
Claudette Beck Aye
Victoria Hancock Aye

G. Approve Minutes of the June 1, 2022, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors

Michael Molloy made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 06-01-22.

Michael R Adams seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael Molloy Aye
Michael R Adams Aye
Victoria Hancock Aye
Claudette Beck Aye

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

Board President Beck read the following announcement for members of the public:

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not the item is on the agenda, by dialing the teleconference line or by clicking the weblink listed on the posted agenda. The time allotted per presentation will not exceed three (3) minutes, except in the case where a member of the public utilizes a translator, in which case the time allotted will not exceed six (6) minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, no action may occur at this time, but it is the Board's prerogative to hold a brief discussion, provide information to the public, provide direction to staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting.

Board President Beck asked if there were any members of the public who wished to offer public comment. There were no members of the public who offered public comment or submitted written comment.

III. Public Hearing

A. Open Public Hearing

Michael R Adams made a motion to open the public meeting.

Victoria Hancock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael Molloy Aye
Michael R Adams Aye
Victoria Hancock Aye
Claudette Beck Aye

B. The Board will hold a public hearing to solicit the recommendations and comments of members of the public regarding the Revised Personalized Learning Policy

Board President Beck announced the public hearing opened at 1:37 p.m.

Michelle Berry informed the board that on June 30, 2022, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 181, which is the state budget trailer bill. Funding has increased this year by 13% and there will be one time funds for learning loss.

In addition to the various fiscal items contained in the state bill, AB 181 requires the school to revise the school's personalized learning policies. Ms. Berry then directed the board to the redlined Revised Personalized Learning Policy included in their board packet and reviewed the following changes:

1. Removes language concerning the academic content required of independent study instruction.
2. Streamlines the procedures that trigger tiered reengagement strategies for students.
3. Recognizes the revised definition of "synchronous instruction," which permits a teacher or teachers of record to provide the instruction.
4. Adds the special education teacher as a required signatory to the student master agreement, as applicable.
5. Removes outdated language that only applied for the 2021-22 school year.
6. And finally, adds language recommended by our auditor which recognizes that a Special Education Specialist will sign a Master Agreement addendum should a student be identified for special education services after they are enrolled in our school.

Michelle Berry expressed the school is pleased with these changes and finds them helpful with the mission to ensure all students are engaged and on-track to graduate. Ms. Berry then asked if the board or any members of the public have any questions or comments on the revised Personalized Learning Policy.

Board President Beck asked what type of grants they are looking at. Ms. Berry informed the board they are waiting for additional information but they are interested in the learning loss grant, the art/music grant, and the expanding learning opportunity grant.

C. Close Public Hearing

Hearing no comments from the public, Board President Beck asked for a motion and closed the public hearing at 1:42 p.m.

Michael Molloy made a motion to close the public hearing.

Michael R Adams seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Claudette Beck Aye

Michael R Adams Aye

Michael Molloy Aye

Victoria Hancock Aye

IV. Action Items

A. The Board will be asked to approve the Revised Personalized Learning Policy

Michelle Berry recommended the board approve the revised Personalized Learning Policy that was shared during the Public Hearing.

Victoria Hancock made a motion to approve the Revised Personalized Learning Policy.

Michael Molloy seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael R Adams Aye

Michael Molloy Aye

Victoria Hancock Aye

Claudette Beck Aye

V. Additional Corporate Officers and Board Members' Observations and Comments

A. Observations and Comments

Jeff Brown thanked Ms. Berry for her report. He also expressed his appreciation for staff attending the meeting.

Jeri Vincent thanked everyone for their time.

Board President Beck thanked everyone for all of their hard work.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting Date: August 29, 2022, 12:00pm

B. Adjourn Meeting

Michael R Adams made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Victoria Hancock seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Michael R Adams Aye

Michael Molloy Aye

Claudette Beck Aye

Victoria Hancock Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 1:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael R Adams

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