

Volunteers of America CEDC
Ballington Academy for the Arts & Sciences

November 19, 2019

1525 W Main Street
El Centro, CA 92243

799 E. Rialto Ave
San Bernardino, CA

Board Present:

Ms. Kristi Harris
Ms. Carla Kuhn
Mr. Dilda McFadden
Mr. Gerald McFaden

Board Absent:

Ms. Denise Garcia
Mr. Gerald McFadden
Dr. Ann McKenzie
Ms. Elizabeth Villalobos (Leave of Absence)

Staff Present:

Mr. William Anderson (staff)
Ms. Shannon Brandner (staff)
Ms. Nagham Hakeem (staff)
Ms. Doreen Mulz (staff)

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting commenced at 5:42 PM.
- II. **Public Comment:** None
- III. **Introduction of Potential Board Candidate:** Rescheduled to a later date.
- IV. **Approval of Board Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. G. McFadden and seconded by Mr. D. McFadden, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).
- V. **Closed Session.** Board convened into closed session.
- VI. **Open Session.** Board convened into open session. No action was taken in closed session.

VII. Board Discussion Items:

- a) **Academic Performance Benchmarks:** Mr. Anderson and Ms. Brandner presented their academic performance targets for each of their respective schools. Each principal shared strategies and planned intentions to support obtainment of proposed benchmarks. The Board requested a comparison be done to State requirements and shared at the next meeting.
- b) **Implications of AB 1505 Discussion:** Board reviewed the primary points of the law and discussed impacts.
- c) **Overview of Potential Charter School Partnership:** Ms. Mulz presented a proposal to partner with a local non-profit to develop a charter school. The Board requested the topic be brought back at the next meeting as a formal agenda item to allow for a vote.

VIII. Consent Agenda Items:

- a) **Approval of October Minutes:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. G. McFadden and seconded by Ms. K. Harris, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).
- b) **Approval of the Financials:** A motion to approve the financials was made by Mr. D. McFadden and seconded by Mr. G. McFadden, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).

IX. Other Agenda Items:

- a) **ASES El Centro Budget 2019-2020:** A motion to approve the ASES budget was made by Mr. D. McFadden and seconded by Mr. G. McFadden, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).
- b) **ASES Renewal Application San Bernardino:** A motion to approve the ASES renewal application was made by Mr. D. McFadden and seconded by Ms. K. Harris, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).
- c) **Consolidated Application: San Bernardino & El Centro:** A motion to approve the submission of the consolidated application for both San Bernardino and El Centro was made by Mr. D. McFadden and seconded by Ms. K. Harris, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).
- d) **Special Board Meeting November 26, 2019:** A motion to approve a special board meeting hosted on November 26, 2019 was made by Mr. G. McFadden and seconded by Ms. K. Harris, the motion carried unanimously (4 votes in favor).

X. Administrative & Information Items:

- a) **Principal Reports:** Mr. Anderson and Ms. Brandner shared school highlights with the board.
- b) **Superintendent's Report:** Ms. Mulz provided updates to the Board.
- c) **El Centro Elementary School Visit:** Mr. Anderson shared the District conducted their regular visit. The visit went well.

XI. **Board Closing Comments:** Ms. Kuhns thanked everyone for their participation.

XII. **Adjourn:** The Board adjourned to the public at 7:44 PM.

- **NEXT BOARD MEETING TIME: November 26, 2020: 5:30 PM**