

Volunteers of America CEDC
Ballington Academy for the Arts & Sciences

September 22, 2020

Telephonic Meeting

Board Present: Ms. Denise Garcia
Ms. Kristi Harris
Ms. Carla Kuhns

Board Absent: Mr. Dilda McFadden
Dr. Ann McKenzie
Ms. Elizabeth Villalobos (Leave of Absence)

Staff Present: Mr. William Anderson (staff)
Ms. Shannon Brandner (staff)
Mr. Gerald McFadden (staff)
Ms. Doreen Mulz (staff)

I. Call to Order: Meeting commenced at 5:41PM.

II. Approval of September Board Agenda: A motion to approve the September Board agenda was made by Ms. C. Kuhns and seconded by Ms. K. Harris, the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.

III. Public Comment: Ms. Mulz shared with the Board Mr. D. McFadden asked to step down from the Board effective immediately.

IV. Consent Agenda Action Items:

a) **Approval of August 18 & August 28 (Special Meeting) 2020 Minutes:** A motion to approve the August 18 & August 28, 2020 minutes was made by Ms. K. Harris and seconded by Ms. C. Kuhns, the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.

b) **Approval of July 2020 Financials:** A motion to approve the August 18 & August 28, 2020 minutes was made by Ms. C. Kuhns and seconded by Ms. D. Garcia, the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.

V. Other Agenda Action Items:

- a) **Approval of Suicide Prevention Policy:** Ms. Mulz presented the suicide prevention policy and noted it was legally compliant. A motion to approve the Suicide Prevention Policy was made by Ms. C. Kuhns and seconded by Ms. D. Garcia, the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.
- b) **Approval of Updated Uniform Complaint Procedure:** Ms. Mulz presented the updated Uniform Complaint Procedure and noted slight modifications were required to our current policy to be legally compliant with the new law recently issued. A motion to approve the Uniform Complaint Procedure was made by Ms. K. Harris and seconded by Ms. C. Kuhns the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.
- c) **Approval of Ballington San Bernardino Special Education MOU:** Ms. Mulz the MOU was the final required administrative item for the renewal of the Ballington San Bernardino Charter. And reflects the prior MOU from the last charter term. A motion to approve the Ballington San Bernardino Special Education MOU was made by Ms. K. Harris and seconded by Ms. C. Kuhns, the motioned carried via roll call vote with 3 votes in favor.

VI. Board Discussion Items:

- a) **Learning Continuity Plan for El Centro & San Bernardino Public Hearing:** Ms. Mulz presented an overview of Ballington's Learning Continuity Plans to the Board and noted the plan was used the CDE template, met required elements, and mirrored the remote and hybrid instructional plans presented thus far.
- b) **State Deferrals & Impact on School Operations/Cash Flow:** The Board discussed the impact of the deferrals on each of the schools along with potential options and strategies to mitigate the significant effect the delay in funding will have upon each of the schools. It is estimated that both schools combined will be looking at 1.5 million cash shortfall in 2020-2021.
- c) **Reopening & COVID Response Plan:** Ms. Mulz updated the Board on the status of plan for reopening. Ms. Mulz shared health and safety is the priority and Ballington would take the lead of the local authorities and the authorizer.

VII. Board Closing Comments: The Board noted the importance of Board Recruitment.

VIII. Adjourn: The Board adjourned to the public at 7:24 PM.

- **NEXT BOARD MEETING TIME: September 29, 2020 8:00 AM.**