

# ALLEGIANCE STEAM ACADEMY Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

# February 6, 2023

# 5:00 pm

Meeting Location: The Den 5862 C St. Chino, CA 91710

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Telephone: (669) 900-6833; Meeting ID: 940 9536 2729

# **Meeting Minutes**

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS

Allegiance STEAM Academy- Thrive charter school ("Allegiance STEAM Academy"), also known as ASA Thrive, is a direct-funded, independent, public charter school operated by the Allegiance STEAM Academy nonprofit public benefit corporation and governed by Allegiance STEAM Academy, Incorporated corporate Board of Directors ("Board"). The purpose of a public meeting of the Board, is to conduct the affairs of Allegiance STEAM Academy in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our school.

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the meeting. Note that the order of business on this agenda may be changed without prior notice. For more information on this agenda, please contact Allegiance at: info@asathrive.org

2. "Request to Speak" forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of "Public Comments."

3. "Public Comments" are set aside for members of the audience to comment. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not take action. The public is invited to address the Board regarding items listed on the agenda. Comments on an agenda item will be accepted during consideration of that item, or prior to consideration of the item in the case of a closed session item. Please turn in comment cards to the Board Secretary prior to the item you wish to speak on. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes.

4. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, Allegiance STEAM Academy may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order to participate in Board meetings are invited to contact Allegiance STEAM Academy.

# I. Preliminary

# A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at \_\_\_\_\_5:05PM\_\_\_\_\_.

B. Roll Call	Present	Absent	
Troy Stevens, President	X		
Marcilyn Jones, Secretary	X		
Samantha Odo, Treasurer	X		
Claudia Reynolds, Member	X		

# C. Student Celebrations - Mrs. Tolliver's Ancient Egypt Presentations

Tolliver / 6th grade presentation Ancient Egypt - Jobs, Gods & Goddess, Art Structures. Students presented Raj Thota, Josiah Rangel, Charlotte Chen, Ryker Hoekwater.

# D. Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting for February 6, 2023

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting for February 6, 2023.

Motion: Sam\_\_\_\_Second: Marcy\_\_\_\_Roll Call: Passes4-0\_\_\_\_

# **II.** Public Announcement for Reason for Closed Session:

## A. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

Comments related to closed session items shall be limited to no more than three minutes. If you wish to speak on an item that will be discussed in a closed session, please turn in a comment card to the Board Secretary. No Comments

## **B.** Closed Session- For Discussion/Possible Action

Potential Litigation: One Matter

Closed Session began at 5:21PM and OPened Session at 6:36PM

# **III. Open Session:**

## A. Pledge of Allegiance

## B. Public Comments- Items not on the Agenda

No individual presentations shall be for more than three (3) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

Tony Flores - father of ASA student, recommended the board include one member that lives in the local community around ASA and asked the board to consider adding this to the bylaws. He asked that the Board consider 3 things; Sensitivity to community needs, Transparent local community, partnership local buss.

#### C. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

#### 1. Update from Parents and Community for Kids

Erica Lee - Color Run next week on Feb 17th. They have a goal to raise \$40K to use towards campus beautification and all school education events. Teachers will receive 10% of all money raised. They are still in need of corporate/business sponsors. Asked that we all ask friends with business to consider sponsoring the Color Run. PAL will also be helping with the theme of Color Run. Feb 22nd Crumbl Cookie is this month's fundraiser and ASA will earn 15% of the sales. March 12th will be our Daughter & Someone Special Dance. We need volunteers for all upcoming events.

#### 2. School Site Council Report - No Report

No report, but will have a report next meeting

#### 3. PAL Report

Mrs. Cameron - 7th grade PAL students will work with the Fun Run and hold a spirit week in conjunction with character themes that will be presented to students during the Fun Run week. 8th grade is working on an incentive program to produce music. 7th grade is also working on hosting a multicultural week.

#### 4. Staff Report - ASA Chino

Mrs. Lazo shared that ASA took over the Ontario Reign game where students performed during the break. It was a great community event. There was an ELAC meeting last Monday where strategies were shared with families on how to help and support students even if they do not speak English in the home. In January the staff participated in several professional development sessions of analyzing data, differentiation strategies, and our counselor Ms. Wendy Dastrup presented about critical conversations with parents. Our basketball teams competed in a tournament at Ontario Christian. We held our first cross country meet with 5 schools participating. Special thank you to our athletic director Coach Arellano for helping to grow our athletics program and Coach Cordts for helping set up the cross country meet. Mrs. Lazo and Mr. Guillen highlighted their presentation at San Bernardino county with Mrs. Cunningham discussed teaching ELD in the STEAM Labs and encouraging academic language.

#### 5. Principal's Report - ASA Chino

Valenta - Congrats on SLC's to our wolves and staff. Enjoyed joining SB presentation. There were many compliments by other people who attended the meeting. Very excited to announce our 8th grade promotion will be at Chino High's new auditorium. The reception can be in their MPR as well. Under \$300 to work with CVUSD The 8th grade promotion will be on May 24th 4-6pm. This Wednesday evening will be our Chino Lottery and we have 379 students in the lottery. The School Site Council next Monday will be focused on anti-bullying. The 22nd is the end of our current trimester and we will have an Awards assembly coming up.

#### 6. Principal's Report - ASA Fontana

Espinoza - Congrats to everyone on successful SLC's. Enrollment 327-apps 190-accepted and 90-waitlist. Waiting on confirmation for a location before offering any more admissions. Social Media is our primary focus for advertisement. We have increased virtual tours for our English and Spanish speaking families. Thank you to Mrs. Lazo for the help with creating flyers. This Wed at 5pm we will host our 1st parent meeting to discuss facilities, enrollments and next steps. This meeting will be a zoom meeting.

#### 7. CEO's Report

Cognetta - Huge thank you to all those involved in the board committee formed to help find the next board members. Thank you to Coach Alex and Mrs. Lazo for helping to set up our first Cross Country meet with 5 participating schools: Newman, Rhodes, Liberty, Canyon Hills, & ASA. A special thank you to Coach Cordts for developing the cross country program. Congratulations to Mrs. Lazo on helping ASA to receive the CA Classified Grant program where classified staff will be given money to pursue their educational goals such as teaching credentials, masters programs, etc.

#### **D. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSENT:**

- 1. Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors January 9, 2023
- 2. Check Register for December, 2022

Motion: \_Claudia \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_Sam \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Passes 4-0 \_\_\_\_

## **E. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION:**

1. Nomination and Election of New Board Member

Allegiance STEAM Academy Bylaws state in Article 7, Section 3 "the number of Directors shall be no less than three (3) and no more than five (5)."

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

a. Nominate Mrs. Shantay Thompson and approve as a Director for the Allegiance STEAM Academy Board of Directors with a term beginning on February 6, 2023 expiring June, 2025

Motion: Sam Second: Marcy Roll Call: Passes 4-0

 Nominate Shehzad Bhojani and approve as a Director for the Allegiance STEAM Academy Board of Directors with a term beginning in July, 2023 and expiring June, 2026.

Motion: Sam Second: Marcy Roll Call: Passes 5-0

#### 2. Financial Update for December, 2022

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the Financial Update for December, 2022

Motion: \_\_\_\_Marcy\_\_\_\_Second: \_Sam\_\_\_\_\_Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. <u>Revised FY23 Budget- ASA Chino</u>

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the Revised FY23 Budget - ASA Chino

Motion: \_\_\_Claudia\_\_\_\_\_Second: \_\_Troy\_\_\_\_\_Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. <u>Revised FY23 Budget- ASA Fontana</u>

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the Revised FY23 Budget - ASA Fontana

Motion: \_\_Sam\_\_\_ Second: \_\_Shantay\_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_

#### 5. 2021-22 School Accountability Report Card - ASA Chino

(see <u>link</u>)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the 2021-22 School Accountability Report Card for ASA Chino

Motion: Marcy Second: Claudia Roll Call: Passes 5-0

#### 6. <u>2023-24 Comprehensive School Safety Plan - ASA Chino</u>

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the 2023-24 Comprehensive School Safety Plan

Motion: \_\_\_\_Marcy\_\_\_\_Second: \_\_Troy\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_\_

#### 7. <u>Course Description for Digital Literacy & CyberSecurity</u>

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the <u>Course Description</u> for the Digital Literacy & CyberSecurity Middle School Course

Motion: \_Sam \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_Shantay \_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_\_

#### 8. Job Description: Executive Assistant to the CAO

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the Job Description: Executive Assistant to the CAO

Motion: \_\_Marcy\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_Claudia\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Passes 5-0\_\_\_\_\_

#### 9. Job Description: Executive Assistant to the CEO

(see attached)

#### It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adopt and approve the Job Description: Executive Assistant to the CEO

*Troy* wanted to ask if this job description could add the responsibility of board secretary. Dr. Cognetta shared that it was written, but they agreed to update the language and table the motion.

Motion: \_\_\_\_Troy\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_Sam\_\_\_\_ Roll Call: \_\_Does not pass\_\_\_\_\_

# F. COMMUNICATIONS

#### 1. Comments from CEO

Conversation with the Community opened the discussion of bullying. Excited to share at SSC next week and share what is known to work or not work. This is a historic moment for our organization because we welcomed our first board member that will represent the Fontana community.

#### 2. Comments from Board of Directors

**Claudia** - Welcome to the new board members. It has been an amazing time on the board. So excited for our inaugural students who are graduating this year. Some are my students and it's such a joy to see how amazing they are. We all play a part in our students.

**Troy** - Thanked the students for their presentation. Welcome to the new board members. COmmented on Tony Flores' comment earlier. Two new board members are local family members of the community. Thank you to Mr. Flores for the comment. Thank you for all the sports that are happening on campus. Thanked the coaches for their leadership in sports. Thanked Mr G and Lazon for their SB presentation. Excited for the 8th grade promotions to be at Chino High. My son was an inaugural student and very excited for the celebration to come on campus. Thank you to Charter Schools and our ASA staff. They have played a huge part in our son's life. Parents please fill out the LCAP surveys.

**Marcy** - Happy Valentine's Day & Black History Month. Thank you for SLC's. tHank you teachers. Parents please complete the LCAP surveys. COngrats to Mr G and Lazo and requested an invite to the next presentation. Welcome to the new board members. Thank you to the student presenters. We appreciate everything you did tonight.

**Sam** - Thank you to teachers and students for the SLC's. ALot of work went into the SLC's and I am super proud of all of the students. Please volunteer, we need your help. Thank you to Mr G and Lazo. Very excited for the Inaugural 8th graders coming back for a celebration on Chino campus. Thank you to CVUSD for including us at many events. Welcome to the new board members. It was a difficult decision to make. Please consider applying again with new openings.

**Shantay** - Thank you for welcoming me to the board. Excited to work with Fontana and Chino.

## **G. ADJOURNMENT**

## 1. It is recommended the Board of Directors:

Adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for February 6, 2023 @ 7:40PM.

Motion: <u>Sam</u> Second: <u>Marcy</u> Roll Call: <u>Passes 5-0</u>