

Turquoise Trail Charter School
Governance Council Meeting Minutes
April 24th, 2023

Members Present: Victoria Schweizer, Miranda Mascarenas, Sammi Triolo, Lorenzo Dominguez, Alejandra Rodriguez, Hannah Mazur, Matt Pahl (arrives 5:35pm), Amber Maes (arrives 5:53pm)

Members Not Present: Ruth Center

Also Present: Graciela Bojorquez, Alba Pages, Tammie Padilla, Corinne Martinez, Regan Hall, Viviana Ortega, Stephanie Behning, Chris Eide Azevedo, Nikki Doles, Joe Dan Lovato, Meredith Waites, Kristalyn Loftis, Leslie Meehan, Mary Ellen Dannenberg, Crissandro Briancesco, Zach Chavez, Aurora Del Valle, Amanda Sotelo (arrives 5:40pm), Roberta Cole (arrives 5:42pm), Rebecca Jones (arrives 5:47pm), Sally Cassady (arrives 6:20pm)

Scribe: Francesca Margaritondo

- I. **Call to Order – Open Session 5:33pm.** It was determined there was a quorum. Meeting called to order.
 - A. **Roll Call** – Introductions made.
 - B. ***VOTE** - Approval of Agenda: Proposal made by Sammi Triolo to move items VI and VII to the next work session and seconded by Alejandra Rodriguez, Motion made by Miranda Mascarenas and seconded by Lorenzo Dominguez, to approve the agenda as amended. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 6 – 0.
 - C. ***VOTE** – Approval of March (04/30/23) Business Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to approve the minutes as presented with proposed edits and seconded by Hannah Mazur. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez - Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Abstains, Matt Pahl - Abstains, Miranda Mascarenas – Abstains, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 4 – 0 with 3 abstains.
- II. ***VOTE** – Consent Agenda:

Alejandra Rodriguez explains the consent agenda to the board. Finance Committee recommends a do pass. Motion made by Miranda Mascarenas and seconded by Hannah Mazur. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez –

Aye, Amber Maes – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Matt Pahl – Aye, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo - Aye. Passed 7 – 0.

III. Public Forum: None

IV. **Updates/Presentations of Reports**

A. Business Office: None

B. Principals/Teacher Reps: Stephanie Behning: Wrapped up MAP testing last week. Students' growth was exciting to see. State testing starts tomorrow and will go through the first week of May. Working on schedule for next year and collaborating with bilingual teachers to teach Spanish next year. Teachers are also working on student placement for next year. Finally, students are working on Demonstrations of Mastery. STEAM Rodeo coming up and will display some of these. Mary Ellen Dannenberg: Pre-K students are ready to move up a year. Reading Quest was here for parent event. The Pre-K grant is due soon and is almost submitted. Joe Dan Lovato: Our first annual TTCS Film Festival was a great success last Friday. We do want to keep a media class for next year at least. MAP testing also finished for MS and went well. The students took it seriously. And there seems to have been some great growth. NMASA and NMASR tests are coming up in the next couple of weeks. The trips are coming up and the students are so excited about them. STEAM Rodeo and concert are also coming up. Teacher evaluations as well for EOY. Request for substitute teachers. Regan Hall: Buzz around testing and the calendar. Teachers are excited about how much growth the students have shown, but are concerned about the shutdown of regular teaching and stress levels going up. Appreciates Kathleen Moore and her test coordinating abilities. Many opinions and emotions about the calendar in opposing directions.

C. Head Administrator: Chris Eide Azevedo goes over his Head Administrator Report. The college trips are important for a few reasons, one being: offering our staff and families a way to bond in a way they cannot do as well inside of school. The budget and salary schedules and staffing for next year have been taking a lot of time lately. We are excited to be in a position to be very selective of new potential staff members.

D. Committees and Councils (as needed)

- Communications and engagement: no meeting this week besides the Community Town Hall which was a great success as is seen in the calendar survey.
- Recruitment: hoping to have a meeting sometime this week in preparation for the STEAM Rodeo and want to have a table at the event to recruit parents.
- Equity Council: the meeting was rescheduled for May and still working on recruitment of adults and children.
- Strategic Planning/Expansion: The survey for the new property has gone to the county. Everything is being lined up and we should be closing soon on our land.
- HA Evaluation: Nothing to report now. The final two panel interviews for succession have happened. We hope to have someone established for June 1st, maybe even May.

V. ***VOTE** – TTCS 2023-2024 School Calendar (second review): Chris Eide Azevedo goes over the proposed calendar and explains what are the main factors affecting the calendar. Presentation of the survey results and how that helped create the final version proposed. Clarifications are made and discussion ensues. Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to approve the calendar as presented and seconded by Hannah Mazur. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Maes – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Matt Pahl – Aye, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 8 – 0.

VI. ~~TTCS 2023-2024 Budget (first review):~~

VII. ~~TTCS 2023-2024 Salary Schedule (first review):~~

VIII. ***Executive Session**

Closed session pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1(H)(2) – Limited personnel matters; HA candidates. Chris Eide Azevedo attending. Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Hannah Mazur. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Maes – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Matt Pahl – Abstains, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 7 – 0, 1 abstains

Executive Session entered at: 7:15pm

Executive Session exited at: 7:55pm. No voting nor actions were taken.

IX. ***VOTE** – TTCS HA selection: Candidate A: Alejandra Rodriguez – Nay, Amber Maes – Nay, Hannah Mazur – Nay, Lorenzo Dominguez – Nay, Matt Pahl – Nay, Miranda Mascarenas – Nay, Victoria Schweizer – Nay, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Nay. 8 nays

Candidate B: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Maes – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Matt Pahl – Aye, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye.

Candidate B has been selected as the next HA with a unanimous vote of 8 ayes.

X. ***Adjournment of Business Meeting:** Motion made by Victoria Schweizer to adjourn the business meeting and seconded by Lorenzo Dominguez. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Maes – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Lorenzo Dominguez – Aye, Matt Pahl – Aye, Miranda Mascarenas – Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 8 – 0. Meeting adjourned at: 7:59pm.