

Turquoise Trail Charter School
Governance Council Meeting Minutes Pending
August 23rd, 2021

Members Present: Alejandra Rodriguez, Hannah Mazur, Sammi Triolo, Victoria Schweizer, Amber Romero, Wendy Flood

Members Not Present: Ruth Center, Matt Pahl

Also Present: Chris Eide, Harry Phillips, Stephanie Behning, Jenn Prye, Francesca Margaritondo, Tammie Padilla, Miranda Gonzales, Rebekah Runyan, Miriam Baker, Maya Mirabal, Leticia Garcia, Lorenzo Dominguez, Mary Ellen Dannenberg, Melissa Martinez, Raz Bhandari, William Zunkel

I. Call to Order – Open Session 5:42pm. It was determined there was a quorum. Meeting called to order.

A. Roll Call – Introductions made.

B. Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to approve the agenda as presented and seconded by Victoria Schweizer. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Romero – Aye, Hannah Mazur – Aye, Victoria Schweizer - Aye, Wendy Flood – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 6 – 0

C. Approval of July Minutes:

Motion made by Hannah Mazur to approve the minutes as presented and seconded by Alejandra Rodriguez. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Wendy Flood - Aye, Hannah Mazur - Aye, Victoria Schweizer – abstains, Wendy Flood – Aye, the chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 5 – 0 with 1 abstained.

II. *VOTE - Consent Agenda:

Alejandra Rodriguez explains the consent agenda to the board.

A. *BAR's

BAR #	Fund Description	Type	Amount	Purpose
a. 2122-0002-1	25233 Rural Education	Increase.	\$33,326.00	To budget FY22 Award
b. 2122-000301B	28206-ECECD Direct Grant	Increase	\$3,000.00	To budget award from ECECD

B. Disbursements – July 2021

C. Checks over \$50,000_

1. ACH – NMPSIA Risk - \$104,256

D. Financial Reports

Finance Committee recommends approval. Motion made by Hannah Mazur to approve the consent agenda as presented and seconded by Victoria Schweizer. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Romero – Aye, Hannah Mazur -

Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, Wendy Flood - Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye.
Passed 6 – 0.

III. Public Forum: Lorenzo Dominguez introduces himself.

IV. Updates:

- a. Business Office: No updates today
- b. Principals/Teacher Reps: Harry Phillips – MS off and running. Working alongside the academy. Scheduling issues are being fixed. Rolling out SPED services and testing coming up. Stephanie Behning – ES has had a very strong start. Students are excited to be at school and teachers are implementing policies and procedures. Leadership team has been in constant communication and everybody has been very adaptable. Jenn Prye – The academy is settling into specific needs and schedules for specific kids. Important feedback already coming back about students from teachers. Also finalizing SPED service plans for academy students. Started planning academy back to school virtual assembly. Working hard with instructional coaches and completed very good coach and principal rounds. Very much aligned and impressed with the strong start. Moving into effective and efficient lesson planning next. Miranda Gonzales – Being back in the classroom has been very fulfilling. All new curriculum this year which is a challenge and exciting. Many new staff members, and they are all very strong. Stephanie Behning is extremely supportive in all ways. Maya Mirabal – None, Leticia Garcia – None.
- c. Head Administrator: Chris Eide – Goes through HR report. This year could not be more dynamic. Several unpredictable moments. Everybody is being very flexible and dynamic and helping out wherever they can. We are almost around the clock with COVID response. We've had 4 classrooms that have had to go home and managing communication with families. We are still looking for a school nurse. Nurse Carla, the nursing assistant has been really stepping up. We hope to have a good solution coming soon. Nothing is normal this year. Proud to say, we don't have any evidence of any cases spreading at TTCS. The level of communication from families has been outstanding this year and very understanding. We've been able to protect the pack. We've set the goal that we know our students are doing well if they are in the top 10% of any school they go in their 9th grade year to

after leaving us. Chris Eide and Roberta Cole are visiting the High schools around Santa Fe to ensure this happens. Looking at a grant to help fund a new approach of creating an alignment with high schools. Last Friday, there was a vote for NEA representation. The NEA received the majority of the votes, but because it was highly unusual, we are contesting the vote in order to ensure all voices are represented. Welcomes Lorenzo Dominguez.

- d. Equity Council: They met on 8/17, had a table at the Gathering of the Pack which was pretty successful. Currently working with NMPED contractor to get access to the account.
- e. Marketing Committee: None at this time.
- f. Recruitment and Volunteer Committee: at the retreat there was talk about potential recruits. No meeting yet.
- g. GC Executive Team: Strategic planning committee: Has been meeting weekly, currently received a site concept plan for the MS. Going one step at a time. Strategic annual meeting: We were able to create the annual strategy for the current school year. It will be gone over in the next working session. Governance Council members are now updated as well as committees and members. Also updated assignments for Equity Council and on the Foundation. Also covered tasks for the executive team roles. Started the process of updating the mission and vision. Bringing in a facilitator who has experience in this field. Policies: as a council, in the process of updating bylaws and policies. Specifically, the 100 policies which speak to the council. These needed to be brought up to date. Items that were not touched on will be brought into the work sessions. Looking at what the NEA vote means and we are not taking our eyes off of the goals for this school.

V. *VOTE – IDEA B Application: Chris Eide explains the IDEA B application. Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to approve the application as presented and seconded by Amber Romero. Roll Call Vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Romero – Aye, Hannah Mazur - Aye, Victoria Schweizer – Aye, Wendy Flood – Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 6 – 0.

VI. *VOTE – Policy 100, Mission and Vision Statements (first read): Policy 100 is read through. Integrating the bylaws with the 100-policy series. This will go through a copy edit after it has gone through the initial round.

- VII.** *VOTE – Policy 101, Equal Opportunity Statement, (first read). Policy 101 is read through.
- VIII.** *VOTE – Policy 102, Legal Status, Authority and Duties of the Governance Council, (first read). Policy 102 is read through.
- IX.** * VOTE – Policy 103, Delegation of Authority (first read). Policy 103 is read through. Recommendation is to delete this all together from legal counsel. These policies are going to be rolled through until they are finished.
- X. Adjournment of Regular Session** – Motion made by Alejandra Rodriguez to adjournment of regular session and seconded by Hannah Mazur. Roll call vote: Alejandra Rodriguez – Aye, Amber Romero – Aye, Hannah Mazur - Aye, Victoria Schweizer - Aye, Wendy Flood - Aye, the Chair, Sammi Triolo – Aye. Passed 6 – 0. 6:53pm