



LOS ANGELES ACADEMY OF ARTS AND ENTERPRISE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 22, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

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Board of Directors

Victoria Castro

Moctesuma Esparza

Tonantzin Esparza

Hector Orcí

Norma Orcí

Otto Padrón

Julio Vallejo

Founder Director Emeritus

Paul Cummins (2005 – 2011)

AGENDA

1. Welcome - Call to Order - Roll Call - Establish Quorum (*Action Item*)

Board Chair Moctesuma Esparza called the meeting to order at 4:12 pm. Mr. Esparza reminded attendees that the meeting was held virtually pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders and other regulatory guidance related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Roll call was made, and quorum was established. Board members who participated in the meeting included: Victoria Castro, Moctezuma Esparza, Tonantzin Esparza, and Julio Vallejo. Others who participated in the meeting included: Jessica Argueta, Bianca Caraza, Daniel Calvo, David Calvo, Mariela Calvo, David DeFrenza, Wilfredo Flores, Amanda Goodwin, and Kriscia Tejada.

2. Approval of Agenda (*Action Item*)

The board unanimously approved the July 22, 2021, meeting agenda. Motion to approve by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.

3. Stakeholder Update (*Non-Action Item*)

Wilfredo Flores provided an update on fundraising including the Dodger's foundation, mental health, and PBIS grants. Kriscia Tejada provided an update on summer school programming. A music video presented created by LAAAE students during summer programming was presented.

4. Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items (*Non-Action Item*)

There was none.

5. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (*Action Item*)

The board unanimously approved the June 17, 2021, minutes. Motion to approve by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.

6. Principal Update (*Non-Action Items*)

- a. Enrollment Update
- b. Academic Update and Accreditation Renewal
- c. Arts Update
- d. Students of the Month

May 2021

- i. Empathy: Arely Vasquez / Telesforo Gonzalez
- ii. Integrity: Ingrid Aviles / Elvis Montalvo
- iii. Respect: Jeidy Perez-Benitez / Daisy Gomez
- iv. Perseverance: Carla Bedolla / Bryan Lopez Izaguirre
- v. Innovation: Alexander Nicolas / Marcela Lopez Hernandez

David Calvo provided an enrollment update. The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) granted a continued six-year accreditation through June 30, 2027 with a mid-cycle progress report. The May 2021 students of the month were recognized.

7. Consent Agenda (*Action Item*)

- a. Adoption of Board Meeting Calendar
- b. Adoption of Cafeteria Plan for Employee Benefits
- c. Adoption of CaliforniaChoice Benefits for Employees
- d. Adoption of CharterSAFE Proposal for Insurance Coverage
- e. Adoption of Consolidated Application (ConApp)
- f. Acceptance of Grant Funding from Great Public Schools Now (GPSN)

- g. Adoption of Contract with InSite Street Media for Bus Bench Marketing
- h. Adoption of Contract with The Lamar Companies for Billboard Marketing
- i. Adoption of Contract with Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to Participate in School-Based COVID-19 Testing 2020-2023
- j. Adoption of Contract with Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) Consulting and Training Services
- k. Acceptance of Grant Funding from No Kid Hungry
- l. Adoption of Administrative Services Agreement with Sterling Administration for COBRA and Flexible Spending Account Plan for Employee Benefits
- m. Adoption of Nondiscrimination Testing for Employee Benefits

The board unanimously adopted the consent agenda including items 7.a. through 7.m. as listed above. Motion to adopt consent agenda by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.

8. New Business (*Action Items*)

- a. Approval of Financial Reports
 - i. Balance Sheet (May/June 2021)
 - ii. Income Statement (May/June 2021)
 - iii. Budget to Actuals (May/June 2021)
 - iv. Cash Flow (May/June 2021)
 - v. Check Register (May/June 2021)
 - vi. Bank Reconciliations (May/June 2021)

Financial reports were not presented. No action was taken.

- b. Resolution that an Emergency Situation no Longer Exists in Accordance with Government Code § 54956.5 and as Adopted by the Board on March 16, 2020
The board unanimously resolved item 8.b. Motion to resolve by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.
- c. Adoption of America Rescue Plan (ARP), Elementary and Secondary School Relief Fund (ESSER III), Safe Return to In-Person Instruction, Local Education Agency Plan
The board unanimously adopted item 8.c. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro; second by Julio Vallejo.
- d. Adoption of Amendment to Single-Year Co-Location Charter School Facilities Use Agreement with Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
The board unanimously adopted item 8.d. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.
- e. Adoption of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators
The board unanimously adopted item 8.e. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.
- f. Adoption of Local Assignment Option Policy
The board unanimously adopted item 8.f. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro; second by Tonantzin Esparza.
- g. Adoption of Committee on Assignments Members
Committee on Assignments member recommendations were David DeFrenza, Bianca Caraza, and Darren Hayakawa. The board unanimously adopted item 8.g. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro; second by Julio Vallejo.

h. Adoption of Local Assignment Option for Daniel Calvo

The board unanimously adopted item 8.h. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro;
second by Julio Vallejo.

i. Discussion and Potential Action Regarding the Notice of Intent (NOI) filed for the
Miramar Campus

No action was taken.

j. Adoption of Agreement for Special Services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud &
Romo Law Firm

The board unanimously adopted item 8.j. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro;
second by Tonantzin Esparza.

k. Adoption of Agreement with Henry Casas to Provide Community Relations Services

The board unanimously adopted item 8.k. Motion to adopt by Victoria Castro;
second by Julio Vallejo.

9. Announcements (*Non-Action Item*)

There were none.

10. Closed Session (*Action Items*)

a. Public Employment, Title: Principal

b. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Government Code §
54956.9(d)(1))

*Los Angeles Academy of Arts and Enterprise v. Denley Investment Management
Company, Inc.; 600 S LaFayette Associates, LLC; and Mehdi Bolour*

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11. Adjournment

The board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 4:59 pm. Motion to adjourn by Victoria Castro; second by Julio Vallejo.

Signed:

Julio Vallejo, Secretary

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