



# School Board Meeting Minutes Monday, April 27, 2020 at 6:00pm DaVinci Academy Via Zoom Conference Call

**1. Call to order 6:00 pm**

This board meeting is a virtual meeting using Zoom because of COVID-19 related public health closures. Here is the link to participate in the meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/580009616>.

**2. Roll Call**

Present	Board Members	Guests
x	Melanie Persellin - President	Ahava Silkey-Jones – Ex-Officio Member
x	Andy Wallschlaeger – Vice President	Brian Mueggenberg
x	Lenny Ulloa Silva-Secretary	Kelly Zender
x	Joe Thomas – Treasurer	Ben Hanson
x	Todd Paulson	Jenny Kopecky
x	Rohan Grama	Stephanie Severson
x	Katherine Borg	Rachel Walters
x	Idara Uko	Ruth Otto
		Holly Fisher
		Jack Shields
		Amy Nguyen
		Melissa Barrows
		Julie Kresh
		Miranda Frank

**3. Reading of Mission Statement and Real-Life Examples 1 minute**

DaVinci Academy of Arts and Science will awaken a passion for learning through an enriched and individualized approach to education. Students, parents, and teachers will work together to ensure positive character development and build a strong foundation for higher education.

**4. Community Comment 5-10 minutes**

*Community Comment is the only open forum portion of tonight’s meeting and is an opportunity to present an issue or concern to the Board of Directors. There is a maximum of ten minutes set aside for Community Comment. Each presentation should be limited to no more than two minutes. If your item needs follow-up from the board and/or staff or will require research etc., a decision may not be made during tonight’s meeting. Thank you for coming.*

*Please request to speak in the comments (visible to everyone) and then take your microphone off mute when you are called upon to speak.*

- No comments.

**5. Adoption of Agenda and Addendums 2 minutes**

- Motion to adopt the agenda as amended by Melanie, Joe seconded. It passes.

**6. New Business – Discussion/Action items 5 minutes**

6.1- New bid/contract for cleaning service and busing service



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- Holly: we have a good deal even though there might be issues with driver availability, among others. Based on conversations with other charter schools, we are having a good deal.

## 7. Consent Agenda

5 minutes

### 7.1. DONATIONS

Unrestricted donations: available for viewing in the office  
Restricted donations: none received

### 7.2. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2020 Board meeting minutes

- Motion to approve the minutes from April 6 by Melanie, seconded by Andy, it passes.

## 8. Discussion – Administration Updates – Ahava Silkey-Jones

30 minutes

Updates on COVID-19 response and distance learning, planning and next steps for the 20-21 school year.

- We are continuing distance learning through the end of the year.
- Survey sent home
- More flexibility for families around when and how to work on class material.
- Teaching specific standards instead of the entire curriculum.
- Balance between what teachers and families need.
- No school Friday 1 and Monday 4 for PD.
- Spring events cancelled. We are trying to figure out what type of events we can have virtually.
- Buses took some staff members to deliver care packages to other staff.
- A parent made a donation to pay lunch fees.
- We are working on next year.
- Letters of assignment are getting done and should be finalized by the end of next week. Staff should be notified by next week.

8.1- Discuss academic calendar and intersession options.

- Intersession won't be held because it's an experiential.
- Proposal:
  1. Keep the same calendar.
  2. Proposal to eliminate intersession and Fridays to end on June 8.
  3. Proposal to end school on May 22 and add 6 to 8 PD days.  
\*We would advocate to continue giving childcare and food to students if needed.
- Motion to accept the changes to the calendar modifying the end instructional days of the school year to May 29, adding the week of May 18-22 into instructional days and having June 5 as the last day for staff by Andy, seconded by Lenny. Votes are Idara Y, Andy Y, Melanie Y, Rohan Y, Katie Y, Todd Y, Melanie Y. It passes unanimously.

## 9. Committee Updates and Review/Approve Committee Minutes

### COMMITTEE

- 9.1. Finance Committee & Treasurer's Update:
- 9.2. HR/Compensation Committee:
- 9.3. School Development Committee:

### MEETING DATE

April 15, 2020  
Not Held  
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- Hold on Date and Deposit
- We will be canceling our June date for 2020 and schedule for 2021
- Dollars for Davinci: We will be canceling our fundraiser for April/May 2020 and schedule for 2021
- Color Run: We will begin to plan for September 2020, possible dates Set. 12th or 19th
- Possible Gala in February next academic year.

9.4. Policy Committee:

Not Held

## 10. Old Business

10.1. Summer Retreat Date

Vice President

5 minutes

Establish Date. Location will be Zooms.

- move to next month.

## 11. New Business – Discussion/Action items

11.1. Student Success

Terry Moffatt

15 minutes

Academic director to share general academic updates as well as specific programmatic updates on the DaVinci Renaissance and honors programs.

- We are adding honor classes at the MS (6-7 SS, 6-8 ELA, Science)
- Tests to get into honor classes got modified into essays. Science will be a skill test that is being made right now.
- Over 100 students applied to be in those honor classes.
- Testing for renaissance is getting modified to do it online

11.2. Review and Vote on Draft DaVinci Academy FY 2021 Proposed Budget Thomas 15 minutes

Review DaVinci Academy Proposed FY 2021 budget; discuss staffing and updated budget, bring to the board for a vote on the preliminary budget (vote on the final budget at May meeting).

- Motion to approve the academic year 2020-21 proposed preliminary budget by Andy, seconded by Melanie. Votes are Idara Y, Andy Y, Melanie Y, Rohan Y, Katie Y, Todd Y, Lenny Y. It passes unanimously.

11.3. Meeting Assessment and Closing Thoughts

President

5 minutes

Did we spend our time effectively today? What could we do better?

What do we, as a board, need to be focusing on for the next meeting?

## 12. Adjourn Meeting

Estimated end time:

8:07 pm