



QUEST ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
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Microsoft Teams Meeting Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM

In compliance with the Governor's Emergency Directives related to COVID-19, the November 16, 2021 Meeting of the Quest Academy Governing Board was conducted virtually and livestreamed.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (via video)

Wilfredo Batista, President
Edward Jimenez, Treasurer (joined in Item #5)
Lynn Hanrahan, Secretary
Kelle Snow, Member

ABSENT

Matt Frye, Member

QUEST LEADERSHIP STAFF PRESENT (via video)

Janelle Veith, Principal
Rich McNeel, Controller
Jackie Working, Student Support Director

MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC (via video)

Nadia Booker, parent
Linda Williams, staff member

Agenda Item 1: Ceremonial Items: Call to order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance

President Batista called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. Principal Veith called roll with attendance as reflected above.

Agenda Item 2: Public Comment #1



Nadia Booker addressed the Board with a non-agenda item. She was given three minutes to discuss her concerns regarding music class and the teacher. She stated that the teacher is texting during class and depriving the students the opportunity to engage in music that is shown to help students do better in school. She stated that she spoke with Ms. Veith who was texting during the meeting so she reached out to people on Flamingo who told her to go to the Governing Board with concerns. President Batista thanked Ms. Booker for her input and stated that the Board would discuss the issue and get back with her.

Agenda Item 3: Approval of the September 21, 2021 meeting minutes

President Batista asked if there were any corrections needed on the minutes presented

Motion: Member Hanrahan made a motion to approve the September 21, 2021 Board Meeting Action Minutes. Member Snow seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 4: Academic Update

Principal Veith provided information on the School Performance Plan and the three goals of the school. She provided information on Leader in Me, family trainings and another Kagan training for the staff, all of which aligns to the goals of the school and Performance Plan. The SPCSA Framework Ratings specific to Charter Schools were presented and explained. A Covid update was provided (still in the red-nothing changed in terms of keeping with the current safety protocols) as was the Quarterly Discipline Report for the first quarter (2 suspensions).

Member Hanrahan asked for clarification that COVID does not count against chronic absenteeism. Member Batista asked for clarification on number of points affected by chronic absenteeism.

Agenda Item 5: Quest Policy Regarding Diverse Gender Identities

Principal Veith explained the SPCSA document NAC 388.880 in which the governing board of a charter school must adopt a policy regarding requirements and methods for addressing rights and needs of persons with diverse gender identities or expressions.

Member Batista questioned if there was some guidance for parent/student discussions with school. Member Hanrahan clarified that parents must initiate contact with the school first with their child's concerns.

Motion: Member Snow made a motion to approve the policy regarding diverse gender identities. Member Hanrahan seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 6: Financial Report

Rich McNeel, Controller, gave information on the budget and end of year cash projections.



Member Batista wanted clarification on what exactly SPCSA was asking for. Mr. McNeel answered his questions. Member Jimenez asked if there was budget for the playground.

Motion: Member Jimenez made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Member Snow seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 7: Final Audit – Rubin & Brown

Mr. McNeel provided information on the final audit from Rubin & Brown. He referred to page 7 of the audit where there was a summary, page 29 the ending reserve, and page 41 the findings in favor of Quest.

Member Batista confirmed that the Controller had control of all spreadsheets being used. Mr. McNeel assured him that the auditors' software tracks Quest finances.

Motion: Member Hanrahan made a motion to approve the final audit submitted by Rubin & Brown. Member Jimenez seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 8: Facilities Report

Mr. McNeel provided information on the multi-purpose room floor. He stated that they were working with the landlord regarding the playground.

No action was taken.

Agenda Item 9: Copier Contracts

Mr. McNeel presented the copier proposal.

Member Batista asked how many copiers (6). Member Jimenez asked if machines were under warranty (yes with full service built into the contract).

Motion: Member Jimenez made a motion to approve the copier contract as presented. Member Hanrahan seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 10: Adjournment

President Batista adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm