

MINUTES
BOARD OF GOVERNORS REGULAR MEETING
The Academy of Tucson
5:00 PM September 13, 2021
10720 E. 22nd Street, Tucson, AZ

Call to Order: Mr. Howard C. Stewart, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Roll Call: **Present:** Board Members Mr. Howard C. Stewart, Jr., Mr. Ivan English, Mrs. Kirsten Stephens, Mrs. Marolyn Pierson, and Dr. George Sokol; Superintendent Wendi Allardice, Middle School Principal Mr. Willie Henry, Marketing and Recruitment Coordinator Holly Halstead, and Guest Linda Allen (Mr. Stewart's cousin visiting from Florida)

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Howard C. Stewart, Jr. led.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Howard C. Stewart, Jr. requested a motion to approve minutes for the board meeting held on August 2, 2021. Mr. English moved and Mrs. Stephens seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Stewart requested a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Stephens moved and Dr. Sokol seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Call to the Public/Oral and Written Petitions: None.

Action Items: **Approval:** Retroactive to July 1, 2020, increase threshold for capitalization of vehicles, furniture, and equipment with both a cost of \$300 or more and an estimated life of one year or more to \$1000 or more and estimated life of one year or more. This was moved to approve by Mrs. Stephens, seconded by Mrs. Pierson, and carried unanimously.

Instructional Time Model was discussed. It was felt it needed more work to get approval by auditor. Motion by Mrs. Stephens, seconded by Mr. English, and approved unanimously.

Administrative Reports: Mr. Henry discussed options for music and drama programs and also reported that Wright Flight program is not now available. His report was much appreciated. Principals' reports will continue on a regular basis. Mr. Stewart discussed Mrs. Jean Rhodes' written letter (attached) of recommendations for the school.

Superintendent's Report: copy attached. Superintendent Allardice gave updates on various issues, and discussion ensued about the internal audit which needs further review.

Business Manager Bennie Gemelo was not present but her report was reviewed, and is attached.

Marketing Director Holly Halstead presented her report. We now have enhanced listing which she will continue to develop, ensuring we have increasing online exposure as well.

Consent Agenda: Expense vouchers #2 and payroll vouchers #3 and 4 were approved. Motion to approve by Mrs. Stephens, seconded by Mr. English, and carried unanimously.

Board Member Remarks: Mrs. Stephens said that third grade dictionaries are again available from the Rotary if desired. The possibility of volleyball at Academy of Tucson was also discussed.

Adjournment: Mr. Stewart adjourned the meeting. Next meeting to be held on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 5:00 PM.

Submitted by George Sokol, M. D.