



# STEPPING STONES ACADEMY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**APRIL 20, 2021**

**4:30 P.M. MST**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02 notice is hereby given to the general public that Stepping Stones Academy Board of Directors will hold a meeting open to the public on the specified date and time. A copy of the meeting agenda is available at least 24 hours in advance at Stepping Stones Academy Administrative Office or on its web site. Members of the Board will attend the meeting in person or by telephone conference call. The Board reserves the right to change the order of agenda items with the exception of public hearings set for a specified time. All agenda items are open for discussion and possible action.

Persons in need of translation or with a disability seeking reasonable accommodations are to contact Dedre Stewart-Alliger at 623-465-4910.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ATTENDANCE**

1. Roll Call
2. Recognition of Guests

### **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting
3. Approval of Financial Report

### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

1. Staff Recognitions and Celebrations Report
2. Campus Events and Projects Report
3. Student Academic Achievement Report
4. Student Enrollment Report

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A) (2) & (3) the Board of Directors reserves the right to move into executive session for legal advice with its attorney concerning any item listed on the agenda, in person or by telephone, and/or for discussion or consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt of information that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

1. Amended 2020-2021 School Budget
2. Personnel Matters

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Date and Time Posted April 17, 2021 3:00 p.m.

Location Posted [www.steppingstonesacademy.org](http://www.steppingstonesacademy.org) and

Stepping Stones Academy Administrative Office, 35812 N. 7th St., Phoenix, AZ 85086

Posted by Tina Panagopoulos and Dedre Stewart-Alliger



# STEPPING STONES ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 20, 2021

4:30 P.M. MST

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice-President Stewart-Alliger called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The meeting was in person at Stepping Stones Academy Conference Room.

## **ATTENDANCE**

**Members Present** - Debbie Bauer, Kristin Morgan, Tina Panagopoulos, Anna Shugars, Dedre Stewart-Alliger

**Members Absent** – N/A

**Recognition of Guests** – N/A

## **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

**1. Approval of Agenda** – Shugars motioned to approve the agenda and Bauer seconded the motion.

Ayes – Bauer, Morgan, Panagopoulos, Shugars, Stewart-Alliger

Nays – None

Motion Carried: 5-0

**2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting** – Bauer motioned to approve the minutes from the previous meeting and Shugars seconded the motion.

Ayes – Bauer, Morgan, Panagopoulos, Shugars, Stewart-Alliger

Nays – None

Motion Carried: 5-0

**3. Approval of Financial Reports** – Financial reports for February, 2021 and March, 2021 were presented. Bauer motioned to approve the financial report and Panagopoulos seconded the motion.

Ayes – Bauer, Panagopoulos, Shugars, Stewart-Alliger

Nays – None

Abstained - Morgan

Motion Carried: 4-0

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

**1. Staff Recognitions and Celebrations Report** – Bauer recognized Jon Gray and Sophie Gray for all of their “behind the scenes” work to help with Stepping Stones Academy’s smooth operation. Both help however is needed and demonstrate an excellent work ethic.

**2. Campus Events and Projects Report** – Ms. Stewart-Alliger reported on the following events – National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Induction Ceremony, Food Drive to benefit My Crossroads Christian Fellowship Food Pantry, Aspen Creek Field Trip for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony, Kindergarten Graduation, and Pre-K Graduation.

**3. Student Academic Achievement Report** – Mrs. Panagopoulos reported on AzM2 testing and how testing was currently being completed. Student attendance for testing was excellent. This is the first year for Stepping Stones Academy to take the tests on the computers and all operated smoothly.

**4. Student Enrollment Report** - Ms. Stewart-Alliger reported enrollment is at capacity for Pre-K and K-8<sup>th</sup> grades with families on waiting lists. Pre-registration for the 2021-2022 school year indicate Pre-K and K-8<sup>th</sup> grades will be at capacity.

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**1. Amended 2020-2021 School Budget** – Stewart-Alliger shared a copy of the amended budget and Morgan explained and answered questions. Bauer made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 amended school budget and Shugars seconded the motion.

Ayes – Bauer, Panagopoulos, Shugars, Stewart-Alliger

Nays – None

Abstained - Morgan

Motion Carried: 4-0

**2. Personnel Matters** – Stewart-Alliger reported Employee Contracts for 2021-2022 have not been issued. Information about an increase in insurance rates has not received. This information will assist in determining salary increases.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Panagopoulos motioned to adjourn the meeting and Morgan seconded the motion.

Ayes – Bauer, Morgan, Panagopoulos, Shugars, Stewart-Alliger

Nays – None

Motion Carried: 5-0

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.