

Connections Public Charter School

Governing Board Minutes

June 6, 2022

Kress Building 3:15 pm

Call to Order: Mr. Salmoiraghi called the meeting to order at 3:17 pm.

Members Present: Kirk Bailey, Libby Oshiyama, Pam Thatcher, Anna Madrid, Ron Kim, Elsie Hayashi, Romeo Garcia (Damon Murphy, designee), Shinji Salmoiraghi, Christina Wilbourn (Heather McDaniel, Recorder)

Members Absent:

Guests: Cheryl Gravela; Pua Ka'ai attempted to join by google meet but was unable.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thatcher and was approved with consensus.

Approval of Minutes May 16 2022 meeting: Members reviewed the minutes from meeting on May 16, 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to approve the minutes from the meeting on May 16, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy and was approved with consensus.

Public Input: none

Correspondence & Communication: Mr. Salmoiraghi referred to the two complaints that were addressed at the last meeting, and the request from the Commission for a response.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to authorize Mr. Salmoiraghi and Mr. Murphy to collaborate with Mr. Garcia on the details requested in the complaint response form, and to submit the response. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thatcher and was approved with consensus.

New Business:

- **Approval of New Substitute Teachers:** none
- **Review and Revision of Governing Board Policies: Calendar change request:** Mr. Murphy shared a request from the secondary grade level to include Gr 9 students to attend on the first day of next school year's calendar along with kindergarten and Gr 7 as an introductory day.
A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to make the change to the SY 22-23 calendar to include Gr 9 on the August 1 introductory day. The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy. Discussion: Members questioned the need for the Gr 9 students to attend that day, and requested more information before considering the calendar change. The motion was tabled pending additional information.

- **School Director/Principal Search Process:** Mr. Salmoiraghi reported that the committee has not been able to meet to work on a job description due to members' other obligations. A meeting will be scheduled before the next Governing Board meeting on June 30. Mrs. Thatcher expressed her support of the MCREL evaluation and job description instruments, sharing that it is well established and aligned with our vision and mission.

Mr. Salmoiraghi reviewed Mr. Garcia's documentation of medical leave through June 15, pending an update from his physician at that time. Members discussed an interim plan for leadership.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to acknowledge and approve Mr. Garcia's May 17, 2022 designation of Mr. Murphy as administrator in charge, up until June 30 or Mr. Garcia's earlier return. The motion was seconded by Dr. Oshiyama. Discussion: Members discussed an extension of that designation at the June 30 meeting of the Governing Board, if needed. The motion was approved with consensus.

- **Reduction In Force/Reorganization Process:**

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy to go into executive session at 4:00pm to discuss Mr. Murphy's recommendations for staff, for SY 22-23. Members agreed to include Mrs. McDaniel and Ms. Gravela in the closed session. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thatcher and was approved with consensus.

A motion was made by Mr. Murphy to go out of executive session at 4:23pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey to accept the provisional staff lists for SY 22-23, pending final approval in September. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Thatcher and was approved with consensus.

Commission School Lead Report: none; Mr. Salmoiraghi shared Ms. Ka'ai's reminder of the deadline to sign contract 3.0 by June 30.

Operations Report:

- **Financial Officer's Report:** tabled pending statements for May
- **Approval of Financial Statements:** tabled
- **Review of Vendor Contracts:** Ms. Gravela reported that the contract with the current food service vendor will expire on June 30, and the decision was made by the SFA not to renew the contract. An interim vendor will provide food service while the school establishes its own self-prep service, with a target date of January 2023.

- **Title I/Student Achievement Report:**

Status of Title I Plan SY 21-22: tabled

Student Achievement: The class of 2022 included 20 graduates and 3 more pending final credit accrual.

Administrator's Report:

- **Current enrollment:** 347
- **SY 21-22 Covid Health and Safety Plan Status Report:** tabled. Mr. Murphy reported that we will be considering revisiting and practicing an active shooter drill.
- **Kaumana Property Report:** tabled
- **Other Items:** Mr. Salmoiraghi shared a letter of resignation from Elsie Hayashi, Community Representative. The Board accepted her resignation and acknowledged appreciation for her service.

Next Meeting: June 30, 2022 at 3:15 pm.

Adjournment: 5:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Shinji Salmoiraghi

Connections Governing Board Chair