



## THE ACCELERATED SCHOOLS

### Board Meeting Minutes

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**Date and Time**

Thursday, June 17, 2021 at 10:00 AM

**Location**

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM

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**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES****Board Members Present:**

L. Rabinowitz, P. Morrison, L. Picus, S. Yetter, and E. Espinosa

**Board Members Absent:** J. Ward, B. Yost, E. Weiss

**Representatives Present:**

G. Lee-Chang, R. French, L. Lugo, A. Ortiz, V. Shih, C. Reyes, A. Dominguez.

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**Guest Speakers:** None.

**Guest Present:** W. Strumpfer, O. Yee and R. Griffin

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**AGENDA**

**Meeting Called to Order:** President Rabinowitz called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

**Agenda:** Approved. Motioned PM/LP. No Public Comments. Unanimously 5-0 with Roll Call Votes:

1. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
2. Peter Morrison-approve
3. Larry Picus-approve
4. Scott Yetter-approve
5. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve

**Board Meeting Minutes-June 3, 2021:** Approved. Motioned SY/LP. No Public Comments. Unanimously 4-0 with Roll Call Votes:

1. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
2. Peter Morrison-abstained ([not present at June 3, 2021 meeting](#))
3. Larry Picus-approve
4. Scott Yetter-approve
5. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve

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## **PUBLIC COMMENTS on NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

(submitted via email: [boardmeetingpubliccomments@accelerated.org](mailto:boardmeetingpubliccomments@accelerated.org))

No public comments on non-agenda items.

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## **BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS AND REPORT**

No Board President Comments

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## **CEO'S REPORT**

1. CEO, Grace Lee-Change Presented End of Year Updates:

- Thanked Board of Trustees for their unwavering dedication to TAS students and community during pandemic
  - Thanked ACES, TAS, WAHS Administrators, faculty, and staff for their commitment to the TAS community
  - Thanked external stakeholders such as TAS Foundation, Sugarman Communications Groups, and ExEd for their partnership in a historic year
  - Presented information on the 13 End of Year Culmination events across ACES, TAS and WAHS
  - Summer school began on June 14, 2021 with little rest for our hard working staff and administrators
  - Some current projects that will be launched are:
    - o Videos from TAS Teachers and Administrators on why join TAS? Talent recruitment and attraction campaign.
    - o Newsletters on behalf of the TAS Board of Trustees to ACES/TAS/WAHS Parents
    - o La Opinion Ad for The Accelerated Schools
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## **STAFF PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:**

1. Local Indicators Report for ACES, TAS & WAHS-information only
2. Local Control Accountability Plans for ACES, TAS, & WAHS-approval Item
  1. Approved. Motioned PM/LP. No Public Comments. Unanimously 5-0 with Roll Call Votes:
    - i. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
    - ii. Peter Morrison-approve
    - iii. Larry Picus-approve
    - iv. Scott Yetter-approve
    - v. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve
3. Preliminary Budgets for 2021-22 for ACES, TAS, WAHS & Home Office-approval Item
  1. Approved. Motioned LP/SY. No public Comments. Unanimously 5-0 with Roll Call Votes:
    - i. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
    - ii. Peter Morrison-approve
    - iii. Larry Picus-approve
    - iv. Scott Yetter-approve

## v. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve

**CONSENT ITEMS:** Motioned LR/LP. No public comments. Item 3 was amended to reflect Financial Statements include May 2021 for Board review.

1. Approval of the Preliminary Budgets 2021-22 for ACES, TAS, WAHS, and Home Office
2. Education Protection Account Spending Plan 2021-22 for ACES, TAS & WAHS
3. Financial Statements for April & May 2021: ACES, TAS, WAHS
4. Contracts for 2021-22:
  - a. St. Stephens Property Agreement for TAS (Kindergarten Students)
  - b. ExED Annual Contract
  - c. Better4You Meals to provide meal program
  - d. ARC – Learning Labs and Summer Programs
  - e. USC Rossier School of Education Service Agreement (provide direct services to students and parents on college going culture) – **removed from consent/item voted separately – see below**
  - f. Sugerman Communications Group Annual Contract
  - g. Atkins IT
  - h. Reeds Plumbing
  - i. S&W Janitorial Services
  - j. Berkshire Hathaway/Oak River Insurance Company (Workers Compensation)
5. Consolidated Application for Funding for Federal Programs: ACES, TAS & WAHS
6. TAS Governing Board Bylaws - **Removed from consent/moved to September 2021 board meeting agenda**
7. Title I LEA Parent Policy: ACES, TAS & WAHS
8. Title I LEA Parent Compact: ACES, TAS & WAHS
9. 2020-21 SPSA: ACES, TAS & WAHS Revised (Re-Approval)
10. The Accelerated Schools' Wellness Policy
11. 2021-22 Student Parent Handbook: ACES, TAS & WAHS
12. 2021-22 EL Master Plans: ACES, TAS & WAHS

Item 4e was removed from Consent and voted on separately (see below). Item 6 was removed from consent and will be placed on the September 2021 Board Meeting Agenda. Items 1 – 4 (except 4e), 5, and 7-12 were Approved on consent. No public comments. Unanimously 5-0 with Roll Call Votes:

1. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
2. Peter Morrison-approve
3. Larry Picus-approve
4. Scott Yetter-approve
5. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve

**Item 4e:** USC Rossier School of Education Service Agreement (provide direct services to students and parents on college going culture).

L. Picus recused himself [in compliance with Government Code Section 1091 and the Political Reform Act](#), muted himself, and turned off his video for the [discussion and is-vote on this item](#).

Approved. Motioned LR/SY. No Public Comments. Unanimously 4-0 with Roll Call Votes:

1. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
2. Peter Morrison-approve
3. Scott Yetter-approve
4. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT ITEMS:**

There were no public comments on Consent Items

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**ADJOURN to CLOSED SESSION: 11:11 AM.**

There were no public comments for Closed Session items

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**RECONVENE OPEN SESSION: 12:50 PM.**

No action taken in Closed Session

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**ADJOURN MEETING:** Meeting adjourned at PM. Motioned LP/EE.

Unanimously 5-0 with Roll Call Votes:

1. Leonard Rabinowitz-approve
2. Peter Morrison-approve
3. Larry Picus-approve
4. Scott Yetter-approve
5. Elizabeth Espinosa-approve