



THE ACCELERATED SCHOOLS

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date and Time

Thursday, February 23, 2023, at 10:00 AM **(Approved Minutes)**

Location

Virtual, pursuant to AB 361

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board Members Present:

L. Rabinowitz, P. Morrison, and L. Picus

Board Members Absent: E. Weiss and B. Yost

Administrative Team Present:

G. Lee-Chang, L. Lugo, S. Dickinson, C. Foley, T. Nizetich, D. Kukta, C. Garcia, C. Reyes, and A. Dominguez

Guest Speakers: None.

Guest Present: J. Ruley, G. Gunesequera, and P. Reyes

AGENDA

Meeting Called to Order: President Rabinowitz called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by L. Picus

Agenda: Motioned: LR/PM **Approved:** Unanimously 3-0

Regular Board Minutes January 26, 2023 **Motioned:** LR/LP **Approved:** Unanimously 3-0

Next Board Meeting
Regular Board meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENTS on NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public comments on non-agenda items

BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS AND REPORT

No Public Comments

1. Since the beginning The Accelerated Schools has stood for the belief that each student can excel in an atmosphere that sets high expectations for students and provides each of them with the educational support needed to achieve that goal. That's equity, 25 years of equity. To reduce expectations for our students would be inequity.
2. I would like to thank our CEO, Grace Chang, who embraces this culture of all students exceling by providing them with the academic team and environment to do so.

CEO'S PRESENTATION AND REPORT

No Public Comments

1. CEO's Comments
 - a. TAS's mission is to prepare students that will lead as community leaders.
 - b. TAS believes that equality and equity are sacred.
 - c. Recognize school heroes that shine while handling an emergency at ACES last Friday.
 - d. Thank you to the Board members for their Random Act of Kindness. Special thank you to board member Binti Yost for coordinating on behalf of TAS Board of Trustees.
 - e. Celebrated students for their academic efforts
 - f. Kindly reminded Board members to complete Form 700

STAFF PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS, AND ACTION ITEMS

No Public Comments

1. Action Item - TAS Consolidated Financial Reports through January 2022-23 for TAS/ACES/WAHS. **Review Financial Dashboard (ADA analysis, LCFF and concentration grant factors, income statement, cash balance, and balance sheet. L. Rabinowitz requested a Finance Committee meeting to go over revenues and expenses for 2023-2024.**
Motion: LR/LP **Approved:** 3-0 unanimously
2. Action Item - Award of Contract for Auditing Services for 2023-2025 to Christy White, Inc. - TAS/ACES/WAHS. **Released requests for proposals and 3 were received. Two out of the three were chosen and interviewed. Based on criteria, experience, location of services, and references the panel chose Christy White, Inc.**
Motion: LR/LP **Approved:** 3-0 unanimously

CONSENT ITEMS for BOARD APPROVAL

No Public Comments.

Items 1, 2 5, and 6 were approved. **Motion:** LR/LP **Approved:** Unanimously 3-0

Items 3 and 4 were approved. **Motion:** LR/PM **Approved:** Unanimously 3-0

L. Picus recused himself from this vote.

1. Dell - Purchase of 200 Chromebooks - TAS/ACES/WAHS
2. Southwest Patrol - Increased Security Services - TAS/ACES/WAHS
3. USC Third Space Youth Institute Agreement - WAHS
4. USC Third Space Youth Days Agreement - WAHS
5. Polywood - Purchase of Outdoor Furniture - TAS/ACES/WAHS
Hazel Health - Tele-Therapy Mental Health Services - TAS/ACES/WAHS

ADJOURN MEETING: 10:35 PM

The Board President thanked everyone for their work in preparing for each board meeting as this makes meetings quick and efficient.

Motion: PM/LP

Approved: Unanimously 3 -0