

# THE ACCELERATED SCHOOLS

# **Special Board Meeting Minutes**

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 10:00 AM (Approved Minutes)

## Location

3914 S. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037 (B106)

#### **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Board Members Present: L. Rabinowitz, P. Morrison, B. Yost, and B. Brooks

**Board Members Absent**: L. Picus, L. Berz, and M. De La Cruz

Administrative Team Present: L. Lugo, S. Dickinson, C. Foley, K. Sheehan, D. Kukta, R. French, T.

Crowther, O. Mojarro, D. Albin, K. Figueroa, C. Ramos, M. Quintero, and C. Reyes.

**Guest Speakers:** None.

**Guest Present:** J. Ruley, O. Yee, and P. Reyes

#### **AGENDA**

Meeting Called to Order: President Rabinowitz called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by L. Rabinowitz

Approval of Special Board Meeting Agenda February 28, 2024. Motioned: LR/PM Approved:

Unanimously 4/0

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

**Public comments** 

Sandra Capriel gave input on the profile for the next CEO. Ms. Capriel would like the next CEO to be someone who connects with the Latino community and has the skills and commitment to make The Accelerated Schools a five-star school. Ms. Capriel also mentioned that TAS students should wear school uniforms, and WAHS should focus on controlling school bullying.

Staff bring back: Board requested status of long history of school uniform policy (when/if stopped, if so why), status of anti-bullying campaign.

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

# **BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS, REPORT AND ACTION ITEM**

**No Public Comments** 

None

## **CEO'S PRESENTATION AND REPORT**

No Public comments

- 1. CEO thanked ACES and ACES staff for hosting the Special Board meeting on their campus.
- 2. CEO thanked board members for their dedication to Special Board meeting.
- 3. CEO acknowledged our students, parents, faculty, and staff who are working diligently the next three weeks until Spring break to accelerate our students' learning and well-being.
- 4. CEO acknowledged Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Committee members, Binti Yost and Peter Morrison for their dedication to starting off 2024 with a first meeting.
- 5. CEO congratulated WAHS Math, Engineering, Science Achievement Program for being ranked second place in Cal State Los Angeles division with 50 of our WAHS scholars participating. Our next competition will be Saturday, March 9.

# **DIVERSITY, EQUITY, and INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

No Public Comments

- 1. B. Yost and P. Morrison provided an update to the Board on the work of the DEI Advisory Committee.
  - a. The purpose is to bring educational initiatives that affirm DEI.
  - b. L. Lugo will support this committee.
  - c. There is an opportunity to add an additional board member to this committee and DEI Advisory Committee seeks interest from other board members.
- 2. Recommended to the Board to adopt Resolution Affirming February as Black History Month. **Motion:** LR/BB **Approved:** Unanimously 4/0

# STAFF PRESENTATION, REPORTS, AND ACTION ITEMS

No Public Comments

1. Mid-Year Update to the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Local Control Funding Formula Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) for ACES, TAS, and WAHS. CA Educational Code requires LEAs to present a report of the annual update to the LCAP and the BOP on or before February 28, 2024, of each year to the governing body. The purpose is to provide the public with an update on the implementation of changes that may need to be made based on revised revenue estimates, budget expenditures, and student performance. ACES, TAS, and WAHS are all on track to meet the plan.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

No Public Comments

Items 1 and 2 were approved. Motion: PM/LR Approved: 4/0 unanimously

#### ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION AT 10:28 AM

- 1. Conference with Legal Counsel-Potential Litigation
- 2. Conference with Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code §54954.5 for School Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 99
- 3. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code §54954.5 for United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA)

## **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AT 11:40 AM**

1. Conference with Legal Counsel-Potential Litigation. The Board took action to direct staff to finalize a settlement agreement. There is no admission of liability.

#### **ADJOURN AT 11:41 AM**

Motion: BB/LR Approved: Unanimously 2/0