



Arizona School for the Arts
Executive Committee Minutes
Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 8:00 a.m.
Zoom Meeting: 815 2127 5186 Passcode: 8qY6aW

Attendance (voting Members in bold)					
Dr. Anthony (Tony) Dietz, President	P	Carlos Contreras, Vice President	P	Dr. David Garcia, Secretary/ Treasurer	P
Dr. Javier Cárdenas, Past President	P	John Snider, Finance Committee Chair	P	Leah Fregulia, Head of School/ CEO	P

Agenda Items
Update on Remote Learning - Successes and Challenges
Looking Ahead - 2 nd Quarter School Opening Plan in light of CDC and ADHS Guidelines
Equity Commitments - Communication Framework
Discipline Hearings Overview - None
September Board Meeting Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to the Public • Mission Moment – Model UN • Board Recognition • Discussion Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Equity Commitments ○ 2nd Quarter School Opening Plan in light of CDC and ADHS Guidelines - October 19th ○ PYAC ○ Annual Financial Report (FY20) • Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finance ○ RDC ○ Development – dashboard ○ Governance ○ Strategic Planning • Further trainings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FERPA • Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approval of August 25, 2020 minutes ○ Decision regarding school opening for 2nd quarter ○ Approval of AFR FY20

The Executive Committee may vote to hold an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board’s attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to: ARS §38-431.03 (A)(3) Legal Advice

Notes

President Dietz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

The Committee began by discussing preparation for the pending decision the Board will make on September 21st about returning to school in Quarter 2 of the school year. There are many considerations to discuss, the first of which is whether or not it will be safe from a community spread perspective? Leah has invited an advisory council of health professionals to join an ad hoc Health and Wellness Task Force led by Javier who will meet prior to the next Board meeting and review the current situation in order to make a recommendation.

Secondly, the school has prepared two hybrid models and will share with the community this week in faculty and family surveys to assess the willingness of faculty and students to return to campus if community conditions are within the AZDHS and CDC guidelines. John asked if we have an option to delay our decision for another week as our board meeting is early this month. On the other hand, he also stressed that faculty and parents need time to prepare for any change. Leah also suggested that we have assured faculty and families of the decision-making timeline and we want to instill confidence and maintain trust with our community if we guaranteed a decision by a certain date. The Board will discuss. Javier shared that the right conditions will have to be present in order for us to open. The harder question is how to dial it down if the community or school conditions change. We need to prepare for flexibility.

The Senior Leadership Team will also develop a plan for full return, taking into consideration students and teachers who are unwilling or unable to be on campus. Teachers will be invited to participate in planning. David asked that we consider what it will feel like if students have even small opportunities to be on campus – especially in light of social and emotional health. Tony asked that Drew Maxwell report on the Facilities return plan. He will ask Honorary Board Members to also contribute their thoughts.

If public attend the meeting, they will have a limited time to comment during the call to the public. Tony will remind everyone of the time limit and that the Board will listen but not respond.

Leah will shared that the Equity Commitments went out and we have received no comments. She will share progress with our action steps at the Board meeting.

Javier will not be able to attend the September meeting. David will present for the Resource Development Committee at the Board meeting.

Leah will do a brief training on FERPA, Family Education Rights and Privacy Act.

The Committee adjourned at 8:54 a.m.