



Arizona School for the Arts
Executive Committee Minutes
Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.
Zoom Meeting: 833 9042 1002 Passcode: 963466

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

Agenda Items
Community Health Benchmarks – Current Conditions and Trend
Vaccinations
Annual Parent Meetings – New Dates March 2 nd , 3 rd & 4 th
Return to Campus Timelines (Faculty and Students) – Board presentation
Strategic Plan Date – June 12, 2021
Compensation and Equity Updates
Youth Arts Campus/PYAC Update
February Board Meeting Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lottery will be conducted during this meeting – explanation of new process • Call to the Public • Mission Moment – Students Against Stigma • Board Recognition • Discussion Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resource Development Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Development Dashboard ▪ Annual Parent/Family Meetings ○ Finance Committee ○ Community Health Conditions ○ Return to Campus Plan and Timeline ○ Governance Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nomination of New Members – terms to begin July 1, 2021 ○ Technology Committee ○ Facilities Committee ○ Strategic Planning Retreat – June 12, 2021 • Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approval of January 25, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes ○ Approve Nominations of Two New Board Members ○ Approval of 4th Quarter Plan for Instruction
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

Minutes

President Tony Dietz called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m.

Tony and Dr. Javier Cárdenas led a discussion about current community conditions and returning to school for 4th quarter. With the vaccine out and offered to all faculty and staff, the return in 4th quarter appears promising as long as community health benchmarks continue to decline. John Snider offered some concerns about the unknown variants and the efficacy of the current vaccines. We will continue to monitor this unknown, however recent results appear to be encouraging. John also raised concern about faculty and staff who have health conditions or family members they are caring for with health conditions that prohibit them from returning. Leah responded that are working with individuals to accommodate, if needed. Javier shared that the CDC Guidelines for school reopening are being revised and should be out this week. They will be shared and discussed at our next Health and Wellness Council (HWC) meeting.

Another topic for discussion at the next HWC will be educating everyone about what constitutes an exposure to the virus (unmasked and contact closer than six feet for longer than fifteen minutes) and the highest risk areas for exposure (pick up/drop off, lunch, and breaks). Tony also suggested that we consider how and when to communicate about our Covid cases, if at all, and under what circumstances we should consider returning to an Orange or Red modality.

Leah reported that our team is ready for a return to school in the Yellow (Hybrid) mode for 4th quarter if that is what the Board decides.

This year, Annual Parent Meetings will be held on March 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. One Board member per meeting will attend and speak on behalf of support for the Annual Fund. Tony commented that his theme for this year will focus on thanking parents for sticking with us and the importance of continued support this year and next.

Leah updated the group on a few Strategic Plan items. Compensation research is progressing well. Leah also mentioned the prior conversation among the ASA Education Foundation Board about repositioning our Case for Support to include the importance of the Arts in meeting the Social and Emotional needs of students – especially during this pandemic. The group agreed that there may be some opportunity for capital funding to support the development of the campus for Youth Arts performances and programs. Next meeting of the Phoenix Youth Arts Collective is on February 17th at 9:00 a.m.

The Executive Committee reviewed the February Board meeting agenda. Tony reminded the Committee about our two member nominees that would be brought forth for discussion and possible approval at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.