



# **Board of Directors Meeting**

Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Location 1: 819 Sunset Ave. Modesto, CA 95351

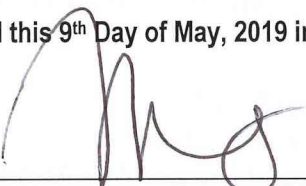
Meeting Conference Line: 510- 434- 5079, Ext :1, Pin:123456

I.	<p><b>Public Business Meeting</b>  <b>Board Members Present:</b> Jonathan Garfinkel, Jim Boyd, Warren Felson, Leslie Hume and Nisa Frank were present in Location 1 in Modesto, Ca  <b>Staff Present:</b> Mala Batra, Mary Cha-Caswell, Casey Hoffman, Jeanine Hawk, Anthony Solinas, Jennifer Garcia, Ian Roberts, Kat Ellison, Stephanie Vaughn, Cameron Byrd and Esmeralda Loera were present in Location 1 in Modesto, Ca  <b>Call to Order:</b> The meeting was called to order by Jonathan Garfinkel at 10:27 am. Quorum for the meeting was confirmed in Modesto.</p>
II.	<p><b>Approval of the Agenda:</b> There was one change to the agenda, the removal of item V.A. "Visit Aspire Vanguard Preparatory Academy".</p>
III.	<p><b>Public Comments Not on the Agenda:</b> There were no public comments.</p>
IV.	<p><b>Chairperson and CEO Comments:</b> There were no comments.</p>
V.	<p><b>School Site Visit</b></p>
A.	<p><del>Visit Aspire Vanguard College Preparatory Academy</del></p>
VI.	<p><b>Closed Session</b>  The meeting was adjourned for closed session at 10:30 am</p>
A.	<p>East Palo Alto Strategy</p>
B.	<p>Summary of Letters of Intent (LOIs) Submitted</p>
C.	<p>101 Broadway Site</p>
D.	<p>Interim CEO Mid-year Discussion</p>
VII.	<p><b>Reconvene to Public Meeting</b>  The meeting reconvened to the public meeting at 12:46pm</p>
A.	<p>Report Out on Closed Session: The Board shared that they approved to move forward with item VI.C. 101 Broadway Site.</p>
VIII.	<p><b>Discussion, Action Items and Reports</b></p>
A.	<p>Growth &amp; Real Estate Risk &amp; Strategy. The Aspire team and the Board discussed growth strategies and the risk associated with this growth. The conversation was led by two questions; how much risk is Aspire willing to take in real estate projects and what parameters should be considered as part of this growth strategies. Some ideas included growing in the Stockton and considering growth in neighboring states.  No Approvals.</p>
B.	<p>Growth &amp; Real Estate Project Updates – CHA, ERES, Foothill. Mary Cha-Caswell, Casey Hoffman and Jeanine Hawk provided an updates on three ongoing projects. Casey discussed the CHA project update and their leadership plan for the upcoming year and the continuous focus on student recruitment and site search. The ERES project has been stalled by the city and Aspire is exploring other options. The foothill project lease is going through entitlement process.  No Approvals</p>
C.	<p>Aspire Summit Charter Academy (SCA) Expansion Project. Casey Hoffman presented a review of the project that would include an admin building and parking that would improve operations.  Board Chair Garfinkel asked for a motion to approve the budget and the allocation of funds for SCA expansion project and delegate approval of contracts to the COO and CFO. Board member Boyd moved to approve Aspire Summit Charter Academy (SCA) Expansion Project and delegation of contracts to COO and CFO, seconded by Board member Felson; unanimously approved. Approval: Yes: 5, Garfinkel, Frank, Hume, Felson, Boyd; No: 0; Abstain: 0.</p>



D.	<p>Aspire Vincent Shalvey Academy (VSA) Expansion Project. Casey presented to the board the project that will add a TK classroom this summer.</p> <p>Board Chair Garfinkel asked for a motion to approve the budget and the allocation of funds for VSA expansion project and delegate approval of contracts to the COO and CFO. Board member Boyd moved to approve the Aspire Vincent Shalvey Academy (VSA) Expansion Project and the delegation of contracts to the COO and CFO seconded by Board member Frank; unanimously approved. Approval: Yes: 5, Garfinkel, Frank, Hume, Felson, Boyd ; No: 0; Abstain: 0.</p>
E.	<p>Aspire Langston Hughes Academy (LHA) and Aspire Port City Academy (PCA) Expansion Project. Casey Hoffman presented this project as a larger facility project that includes multiple updates. They will add a TK classroom, secondary classrooms and increase parking.</p> <p>Board member Boyd moved to approve the Aspire Langston Hughes Academy (LHA) and Aspire Port City Academy (PCA) expansion project and the delegation of contracts to the COO and CFO, seconded by Board member Felson; unanimously approved. Approval: Yes: 5, Garfinkel, Frank, Hume, Felson, Boyd ; No: 0; Abstain: 0.</p>
F.	Lunch
G.	<p>CEO Search Update. Board member Frank provided a brief CEO search. Spoke about working with promise 54 on developing a process. They have identified an interview team that will be conducting interviews on prospective on the candidates.</p> <p>No Approvals.</p>
H.	<p>Education Model and Instructional Program Design Update. Jennifer Garcia provided an update of the current design of the education team. She also spoke to the board on how this has evolved. The plan for instructional program design will focus on the key instructional priorities for the upcoming year. She spoke about the support that will be provide to school leaders by Aspire-wide and regional team.</p> <p>No Approvals.</p>
I.	<p>Advancement Team Update. Bess Kennedy provided an update to the Board on the progress of the Annual Fund. Bess also presented share-outs from the Ed Symposium event that took place in February.</p> <p>No Approval.</p>
J.	<p>Aspire Public Schools' Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2018. Karen Draper provided a high-level review of Aspire's Consolidated Statements.</p> <p>No Approvals.</p>
IX.	<p><b>Adjournment</b></p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 3:22 pm.</p>

Approved this 9<sup>th</sup> Day of May, 2019 in Oakland, CA.



Mala Batra, Interim CEO