



CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS (CAS) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Online Virtual Meeting and in Person

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Monday, September 20, 2021

9:15 AM

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>Board Members Absent</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>	<u>Guest</u>
Doris Tolbert	George Self	Vada Phelps	Abe Villarreal
Robert Yancey		Michelle Huff	Jake Logan
		Breona Mouton	
		Marcela Munguia	
		Mario Hernandez	
		Ashley Ridenhour	
		Lori Baron	

A. Meeting Called to Order at 9:15 AM by Doris Tolbert

Pledge of Allegiance

B. Roll Call taken by Lori Baron

Quorum Present

C. Call to the Public

No Comments from the Public

Vada Phelps took this opportunity to introduce Jake Logan, President & CEO of Arizona Charter Schools Association. She gave an overview of CAS and Arizona@Work. She explained the difference between the Charter School Board (a monitoring arm) and Charter School Association. Doris Tolbert discussed the beginnings of CAS.

D. Action Item: To Approve/Disapprove September 20, 2021 Agenda

Motion to Approve: Robert Yancey

Seconded: Doris Tolbert

Approved: Unanimously

E. Action Item: To Approve/Disapprove the August 16, 2021 Minutes

Motion to Approve: Robert Yancey

Seconded: Doris Tolbert

Approved: Unanimously

F. Jake Logan, President & CEO of Arizona Charter School Association

He loves CAS, acknowledging the challenges with dual languages and the military population in this area. Arizona Charters are doing well. Twenty-one percent of students statewide attend a charter school. Covid accelerated enrollment. Charters are diverse. The majority are minority groups. There is a lot of passion around the mask issue. There are lawsuits and appeals causing the gray areas of mask mandates. ACSA wants fair funding per student. The laws are 50 years old and need a new formula. ACSA advocates and promotes Charter schools. The annual conference will be in Phoenix on November 18-19 and there are events throughout the year. It's all about the students.

G. Business/Finance

Michelle Huff: Expenses are higher because we are spending ESSR funds. The Annual Financial Report will be on the next agenda.

H. Report on Current Legislation

No report.

I. Principals' Reports

Douglas CAS Report

Marcela highlighted a few points in her report which is in the packet.

Sierra Vista CAS Report

Vada: One high school student had Covid. There are six Elementary/Middle school teachers out. It may be a stomach virus. CAS provides supplies, meals and before and after care free to all students.

J. Human Resources Report

Breona Mouton: We are receiving applications for open positions. She has on-boarded new employees in Douglas and Sierra Vista. We are still navigating through Covid.

K. Executive Director's Report Vada Phelps

- CAS had a 9/11 ceremony. It was a great event and was in the newspaper.
- Abe Villarreal, will soon be a new board member, was in the newspaper for his work as Dean of Student Success at Cochise College.
- Ms. Dokken sent a Thank You note to the Board for the retention bonus and also invited the Board to the 6th grade concert on September 22 and the 1st grade concert on October 6.
- She met with architect, Rick Hamilton regarding the Douglas campus.

- Vada presented Jake Logan with a CAS shirt.

L. Board Member Announcements

There were none.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 11, 2021 at 9:15 AM

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM