

**Discovery Charter School
1100 Camino Biscay
Chula Vista, CA 91910**

Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, May 13, 2021
5:30pm
Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order at 5:31pm

B. Roll Call

Members Present: Rochelle Carroll, Erin Richison, Terry McKearney, Mrs. Castorena

Members Absent: Morgan Appel

Others Present: Principal Neil MacGaffey, Associate Principal Erika Alamo and MTSS Coordinator Melissa Moreno

C. Pledge of Allegiance led by Rochelle Carroll and student Elizabeth Markham.

D. Speech Finalists Recognition of Elizabeth Markham, Parker Wasyliw, Cole Meinung, Emily Garcia- Fawver and Isabel Arguelles by speech coach Ms. Carpenter-Robertson.

II. Approve Agenda and to Amend Item VIII Update of DCS Board Bylaws as an Informational Item Only

Motion: Richison Second: McKearney Vote: MCSU

III. Approve Minutes from April 15, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and Special Board Meeting April 29, 2021

*Motion: Castorena Second: McKearney Vote: MCSU- Richison Abstained,
not present 5/29/21*

IV. Public Comment: Persons wishing to address the Board of Directors on any item on the agenda or non-agenda items should do so during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. No action or discussion shall be undertaken by the Board of Directors on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than five (5) minutes.

A. Public Comment – Items on the Agenda: None

B. Public Comment – Items not on the Agenda: None

V. Principal's Report

- Mr. MacGaffey thanked PTC, parents and students for celebrating DCS Staff Appreciation Week with many treats and culminating with a taco luncheon today, May 13, 2021.
- DCS held a lottery selection process for incoming 7th grade middle school students and Kinder Dual Immersion program. DCS is expanding the middle school program from 50 to 75 spots in 7th grade for next school year 2021-2022.
- With permission from the district office and taking all safety measures, DCS will hold an outdoor promotion ceremony for both 6th and 8th grade.
- Remodeling of classrooms in the 800 building is taking place to get them ready for the expansion next year.
- Since April DCS has provided staff development for staff focusing on trauma informed practices, social emotional support and recognizing needs students might have.
- Mr. MacGaffey reported the In Person Instruction grant was completed and submitted.
- DCS is looking into purchasing a new school marquee to bring us into the 21st Century in terms of communicating with families especially that next year the school is in line to have a solar system with a grant under CVESD.

VI. Athlead P.E. and After School Sports Program Proposal

Mr. Aldo Chavez, Director of Development and Community Relations and his team presented a proposal of a Physical Education & Health Development program for DCS students for the 2021-2022 school year.

VII. Public Hearing of The Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant

Principal Neil MacGaffey presented an extended report of the Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant.

VIII. Update on DCS Board Bylaws

Principal Neil MacGaffey gave DCS Board members an update of DCS Board Bylaws.

IX. Board Communication

- Dr. Richison appreciates the organization and structure of the reopening and the staggered schedule. It works smoothly. She recognized the incredible work teachers do every day and special appreciation to them this week.
- Mr. McKearney expressed his appreciation of DCS staff especially this week. Kudos to them this year! He asked about the lottery process for Kinder and 7th grade students and is handled. From an educational sense, he commented on the immediate lessons DCS learned and gained now that the school is open and what students may have lost or gained.
- Mrs. Carroll thanked everyone for making the school reopening a great success. Thanked DCS for inviting her to witness the middle school lottery and see how smoothly and transparent the process was done, and to see how many people want to be at Discovery. Thanked the incredible staff at Discovery especially this week when celebrating Teacher Appreciation Week. Discovery really shines in this District. Happy Nurse Day and classified staff as well.

X. Adjournment: 7:28pm

Motion: McKearney

Second: Richison

Vote: MCSU

The next regular meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be on Thursday, June 10, 2021, at 5:30pm.

Rochelle Carroll, Board President

Neil MacGaffey, Secretary to the Board