



Governing Board Minutes

Board Meeting

June 24, 2024, at Time

730 45th Street, San Diego, Ca. 92102

Room B10

School Phone Number (619) 694-4809

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Roll Call: Mr. Roosevelt Blackmon

Roosevelt Blackmon	Board President	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent _____
David Cajuat	Board Member	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent _____
Keshonna Christopher	Board Member	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent _____
Also In Attendance			
Anthony Ecija	Board Member Candidate	Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Absent _____

Regular Session (Agenda Items):

1. Call to Order - Roosevelt Blackmon - 2:37 pm

- a. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag led by Interim Executive Director, Natalie Alli.
- b. A motion to approve the Agenda for the Board Meeting on June 24, 2024 was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 3-0

2. Public Comment (Agenda Items Only):

Members of the public wishing to address the Board regarding items on the agenda are requested, prior to the meeting, to submit to the secretary of the Board their names and the subject on which they wish to speak. Regarding such items, you may specify that agenda item and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item.

- a. No Public Comment Speakers

3. Board Member Reports

- a. Nothing to report from individual board members

4. Approval of Consolidated Motion for Consent Calendar

- a. A motion to approve the Board minutes of the Special Board meeting held on June 4, 2024 was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 3-0
- b. A motion to approve the Board minutes of the Special Board meeting held on and June, 11th, 2024 was made by D. Cajiuat. It was seconded by K. Christopher. Motion carried: 3-0
- c. A motion to table the purchase order and warrants for the months of April - May 2024 was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 3-0
- d. A motion to approve the hire of Gloria De Leo for the position of Human Resources was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 3-0.

5. Discussion/Action Items

- a. A motion to vote on **appointing board member Anthony Ecija** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 3-0.
- b. A motion to vote on **approval of Yosaren Panza's resignation as Board Member** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.

- c. A motion to vote on **approval of Chris Lemke's resignation as Board Member** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- d. A motion to vote on **approval of Dolores Medina as Interim Board Secretary** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- e. A motion to vote to approve **to add Natalie Alli, Interim Executive Director, and Hilary Dinh, and David Cajiuat to Banner Bank LLC, California Coast Credit Union** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- Discussion: **D. Cajiuat** asked for a discussion. Question asked by D. Cajiuat: What would entail of him to be added to the Banner Bank LLC & California Coast Credit Union?
- N. Alli** clarified that D. Cajiuat needed a CA issued ID with current address, minutes approved by the Board at the next meeting, then go to the bank and be added.
- D. Cajiuat:** What does that give me? Signing privileges?
- N. Alli:** Yes. AFCS needs someone different on the account given AFCS' current situation where the people with access to the accounts are on Administrative Leave. Bank suggested that AFCS have 3 people on the account different from those on the Treasury Access.
- D. Cajiuat:** That's what I thought it was going to be about just wanted to make sure.
- f. A motion to vote on **approval to add Treasury Access to Natalie Alli and Roosevelt Blackmon** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat Motion carried: 4-0.
- g. Discussion on the **Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)**
- i. N. Alli stated that she had presented the LCAP at the last Board meeting and gave the public an opportunity to ask questions and give input.
 - ii. No public discussion of the LCAP by the public was made.
- h. A motion to vote on **approval of AFCS Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Federal Addendum for Year 2024-25** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- i. **Discussion of Local indicators** - The Board reviewed the report and discuss the progress of local indicators as a part of the California School Dashboard in response to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)
- i. Interim E.D. N. Alli asked that the Board Review it and ask questions as needed.
 - ii. Board Members took 5 minutes to review the Local Indicators from the packet provided to them. No questions were asked by the Board Members.
- j. A motion to vote on the **approval of AFCS Budget for 2024-25** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.

- i. Andrew from CSMC presented the AFCS Proposed Budget for 2024-2025
 - 1. Summary Page vs Estimated Actuals
 - 2. Based on 485 students enrolled with 437 ADA
 - 3. Net Income due to expense cuts
 - 4. Final Net Income to end at next year at around \$15,000.00
 - 5. Revenues broken out by line item & expenses broken down by line item
 - 6. Questions on Budget and Estimated Actuals?
 - a. Board members took a few minutes to review the Proposed Budget for 2024-2025
 - i. N. Alli: Unallocated credit card cost were a large part of the largest impacts to the budget
 - 1. It didn't go to designated accounts
 - 2. Cut down by keeping track of credit card expenses and making sure those expenses come out of the correct account
 - 3. AFCS worked closely with CSMC to balance budget
 - a. Budget does not account for staffing for next year
 - b. Goals for LCAP & SPSA are aligned with budget accordingly and move our school forward academically
- k. A motion to vote on the **approval of the 2024-25 Consolidated Application for AFCS** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajjuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
 - i. Andrew from CSMC presented on the 2024-2025 Consolidated Application for AFCS
 - 1. Consolidated Application 2024-2025 - AFCS is approving Title 1, 2, 3, 4 funds and the resolution is that AFCS will apply for the funds
 - a. No questions on the consolidated application
- l. A motion to vote on the **approval of EPA Expenditures for 2023-24** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajjuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
 - i. Andrew from CSMC presenting
 - 1. EPA - funds given to the school
 - a. Approximated amount of \$82,000 to be used for the 2023-2024 certificated teacher salaries
- m. A motion to vote on the **approval of Estimated EPA Expenditures for 2024-25 School Year** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajjuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
 - i. Andrew from CSMC presenting
 - 1. EPA - funds given to the school
 - a. For Certified teacher salaries ONLY for 2024-2025 = \$87,000

- n. A motion to vote on the **approval of Board Calendar Meeting Dates for 2024-25** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- i. Discussion: N. Alli - all Board meetings are on Monday at 4 pm for all staff to attend in the same room (B-10). Special Board Meetings will be held at the High School campus all other board meetings will be at the TK-8 campus.
- o. A motion to vote on the **approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators (DON) 2024-2025** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- i. Discussion: DONS = not all of AFCS will be fully credentialed, they may be in progress of their credential. Fully qualified is having a multi subject for TK-8 and a Single Subject for MS/HS
- p. A motion to vote on the **approval of Insurance Benefits Agreement with Newfront Insurance Broker** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
- i. N. Alli - staff is keeping the same benefits and AFCS is saving 10%.
 - ii. Pedro -Broker w/Newfront Insurance presenting:
 1. Senior VP in Newfront Insurance
 - a. Work with Charter Schools Nationwide but specifically with Charter School in San Diego
 - b. Local San Diego resident
 - c. Qs: Can you explain the insurance benefits that the company is getting from you?
 - i. Employee benefits:
 1. Kaiser benefits will stay intact. CA determines the benefits & cost; cannot replace Kaiser
 2. Savings = Sharp; Staying directly with Sharp is 11% increase; HealthNet Qoute still gives you access to Sharp with a 10% savings; employees will still have access to Sharp doctors and no need to change doctors; benefits carrier is what changes to HealthNet; everything else stay the same
 3. Qs from Teachers: Gold Plan for employees do we still have the option for the platinum?
 - a. Yes. No branding deductible with HealthNet.

- b. Annual report - approval stating the AFCS didn't use any of the funds
- r. A motion to vote on the **approval of 2024-25 Calendar** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
 - i. Qs about the 2024-2025 Calendar:
 - 1. N. Alli - Calendar aligned with SDUSD
 - a. 180 school days; 187 staff days
- s. A motion to vote on the **approval of Instructional Minutes for the 2024-25 School Year** was made by K. Christopher. It was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0.
 - i. Discussion:
 - 1. N. Alli - based on new calendar AFCS is well above instructional minutes; in case of an emergency we can account for that time
 - a. Tk-8 Campus we are at 58,000 instructional minutes; 50,000 Grades 1-3; 4-8 is 54,000; High School the goal is 64,800 we are sitting at 65,615 instructional minutes, well above.
 - b. No additional questions

6. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

- a. **Proposed List of Agenda Items for Future Board Meetings**
 - i. A motion was made by K. Christopher to table the Organizational Business: Proposed List of Agenda Items for Future Board Meeting until the next Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion carried: 4-0
 - 1. N. Alli - we need to table these items since there are a lot to account for and approve and might need a Special Board Meeting: Student/Employee handbook, liability insurance, appoint a new board member since Chris Lemke resigned; looking at goals for the 24-25 school year, updating job descriptions to be clear on who is doing what; UCP will also need to be updated
 - a. Important dates to remember:
 - i. HS started summer school started 6/17/24
 - ii. TK-8 Summer school started 6/24/24

7. Closed Session - 3:31 pm

- a. Discussion of public employee dismissals/releases/discipline/Government Code §54957(b)

Motion: K. Christopher Second: D. Cajiuat Motion Carried: 4-0

8. Reconvene to Open Session - 3:52 pm

Motion: K. Christopher Second: D. Cajiuat Motion Carried: 4-0

- a. Public Report of Action Taken in Closed Session, if any, and vote or abstention of each Board Member Present.
 - i. No Items to report.
 - ii. Public Qs: Ms. Johnson Kindergarten Teacher - Minimum days. The total minutes are 245 a day.
 1. N. Alli - Will check with Hilary and will not affect instructional minutes
 2. Johnson: Wondering if it was a different start time
 3. No additional questions
 - iii. Comments:
 1. Mr. Blackmon gave thanks to the team who helped work on the budget and their efforts. Special mentions to Interim Executive Director & Ms. Dolores Medina.
 2. Mr. Ecija - expressed gratitude for being appointed to the AFCS Board of Directors.

9. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the board meeting was made by K. Christopher and seconded by D. Cajiuat. Motion Carried: 4-0. Meeting adjourned by R. Blackmon at 3:57 pm.

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1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door of the meeting
2. Members of the public wishing to address the Board during Public Comment are requested, prior to the meeting, to submit to the Secretary of the Board their names and the subject on which they wish to speak. "Public Comment" is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond to take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and the total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give directions to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
3. Members of the public wishing to address the Board regarding items on the agenda are requested, prior to the meeting, to submit to the secretary of the Board their names and the subject on which they wish to speak. Regarding such items, you may specify that agenda item and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.

5. A member of the public requiring a translator will be provided twice the allotted time for public comment per individual speaker in accordance with Section 54954.3 of the Government Code.
6. Any public records relating to an agenda item for the open session of the Board which is distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members, shall be available for public inspection at 730 45th Street, San Diego, CA 92102
7. If meetings are being held via teleconference, the public may send their public comment request to the interim board secretary, Dolores Medina, at dmedina@americasfinestcharterschool.org

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