



Kamalani Academy Governing Board Meeting

July 23, 2020

Governing Board

Ku'uiipo Laumatia (Board Chair) – *Present*
Steve Davidson (Vice-Chair) – *Present*
Kalani Fronda (Secretary) – *Present*
Lani Pili (Interim Treasurer) – *Present*
Elizabeth Love (Member) – *Absent*
Daniel Pate (Member) – *Present (arrived 6:42)*
Scott Nakagawa (Member) – *Present*

Academy Administration/Staff

Amanda Langston, Principal

Other Attendees

Pua Kaai, Hawaii SPCSC

Minutes

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Board Chair Ku'uiipo Laumatia

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes from the June 25, 2020 Board Meeting
- b. Governance Committee
 - i. Resolution to Adopt the Following Board Committees: Academic Excellence; Facilities; Finance; Governance; and Principal Support and Evaluation
 - ii. Approval of Revised Bylaws
 - iii. Policy on Governing Board Supplementary Materials
 - iv. Policy on Committee Operations
- c. Finance Committee
 - i. Approve the selection of the CPA firm of Aycock and Miles as Auditor for the SY 2019-20

Items 2bi and 2biv were removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

K. Fronda made a motion to approve items 2a, 2bii and iii, and 2ci on the consent agenda.

S. Davidson seconded the motion.

The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2bi: Member Davidson noted that the Principal Support and Evaluation Committee was added to the resolution.

S. Davidson made a motion to approve item 2bi on the consent agenda.

K. Fronda seconded the motion.

The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

2biv: Member Davidson stated that, after speaking with Board On Track, some verbiage had been added to the Committee Operations Policy. The changes were screen-shared by Member Davidson. Specifically committees can make decisions on routine matters; however, any items requiring governing board approval can only be recommended for approval by committees.

S. Davidson made a motion to approve item 2biv on the consent agenda.

L. Pili seconded the motion.

The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Annual Nomination and Election of the Kamalani Academy Governing Board Officers

K. Fronda nominated Steve Davidson as Board Chair. With no other nominations and all members voting in favor, Steve Davidson was elected Board Chair.

L. Pili nominated Kalani Fronda as Board Vice Chair. With no other nominations and all members voting in favor, Kalani Fronda was elected Board Vice Chair.

K. Fronda nominated Lani Pili as Board Treasurer. With no other nominations and all members voting in favor, Lani Pili was elected Board Treasurer.

S. Davidson nominated Daniel Pate as Board Secretary. With no other nominations and all members voting in favor, Daniel Pate was elected Board Secretary.

4. Fiscal Officer Report

a. June 2020 Financials

Member Pili reviewed the financials for June, noting that they were as accurate as possible while waiting on a number of items in order to reconcile the end of the fiscal year.

5. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the Plans for Re-opening the School for the 2020/2021 School Year

Principal Langston shared the re-opening plan for the 2020/2021 school year with the Board as contained in the support materials, explaining that the plan was to return in-person with the option of online learning for those choosing to do so. Steps were being taken to sanitize and provide safety measures as directed by the Department of Health. School would begin a week later on August 10th to provide the teachers extra time to set up online learning.

Member Davidson asked in regards to the threats of strikes by the union, to which Principal Langston stated that they were hoping for the best and that her staff felt comfortable overall returning to school with the safety measures in place, adding that the governor was the only person who could direct charter schools to not open as planned.

Member Pili commended Principal Langston and her staff on their efforts in being prepared for the opening of school. She also asked if there had been intent given by the families as to whether they would attend in person or online, to which Principal Langston stated that the Kamalani families were given the opportunity to view the plan and ask questions online. Afterward they were able to declare their intent to return online or in-person, with 70% of those responding planning to return in-person. Additional discussion ensued regarding the extra burden of time on the teachers and what online learning would look like, with Principal Langston confirming that they had most of the technology needed and were working on obtaining the rest.

6. Update on Academic Performance Data, Enrollment, and School Initiatives by Principal Amanda Langston

Principal Amanda Langston stated that enrollment for the fall had been a roller coaster with changes happening daily, although they were at about 180-190 on average. She was trying to fill one additional teaching position, with some other changes having occurred to the staff. Some discussion ensued regarding enrollment and using the Academics Excellence Committee as a means to promote the school.

7. Report on BoardOn Track Rollout

Member Davidson stated that things were going well with BoardOn Track and that they would begin utilizing all aspects for the August meetings, including committee meetings. Member Davidson reviewed some of the resources that BoardOn Track has to offer and visited the dashboard via screen sharing. He asked that each member visit the dashboard at least once per day. Member Davidson stated that this would be a slow roll-out as he did not want to overwhelm the Board.

8. Report from the Evaluation Committee

Member Davidson stated that Member Love would be unavailable to serve as the Evaluation Committee Chair for the time being and that Member Pate would serve as acting chair. Member Pate stated that they were working on putting together some surveys. Member Davidson stated that they would consider using the evaluation tool included in BoardOn Track.

9. Update from the Foundation Board

Member Fronda stated the Foundation Board was now in compliance with full membership.


10. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Issues

No executive session took place at this meeting.

11. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved on: August 13, 2020



Daniel J. Pate (Aug 29, 2020 07:49 HST)
Secretary of the Governing Board
Kamalani Academy

Announcements:

- Next Governing Board Meeting: September 17, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.