

Amana Academy Governance Board Meeting Minutes

Date: **November 2, 2020**

Start/End: 8:00 AM

Attendees: Board Members: Jack Murphy, Christina Lennon, Errol Williams, Chad Cunningham, Robert Berris, Misty Fernandez, Doannie Tran, Kaamilah Chester, Others: Ehab Jaleel, Najla Abdul-Khaliq, Helene Brown,, Kristi Davis, Niki Fox, Arelis Elfiky; and A'Donna Garrett, Jessica Spraggins, Zafar Khan (joined at 9 AM); Kristina Leidner (joined at 9 AM)

- I. Meeting Norms reviewed
- II. Slice of Amana Life: Introduction of PTO Officers: A'donna Garrett & Jessica Spraggins El-Aboudi
- III. Financial Report - Kristi Davis:
 - A. September/quarter-end [financial review](#). 75% or more of our remaining spend at the end of Q1.
 - B. Vote to approve - Kaamilah moves, Misty seconded; motion carried
 - C. Audit report - clean audit; finance committee has reviewed and approved and it has been submitted to FCS. Reviewed Agreed Upon Procedures by Martial Jones.
 - D. Review of FY21 Budget - discussion of excess expenditures -
 - E. Christina asks for a motion to approve column J - Jack moves, seconded by Misty; motion carried.
 - F. Misty spoke with Graham Huff at the Fulton Education Foundation about keeping us in mind for chromebook funding.
- IV. Executive Update - Ehab
 - A. Compliance
 1. Annual Report review. No discussion. Christina calls for a motion to approve the annual report - Chad moves; Errol seconded; motion carries
 2. Letter of Assurances - language changed to reflect our autonomy to determine our own reentry plan, FCS has to review, but can't dictate our plan. Christina calls for a motion to approve - _____ moves, Jack/Misty second; motion carries
 3. SCSC virtual training sessions
- V. [Annual Work Plan](#) - Christina
 - A. Discussion of Workstreams - Chad asks whether we're reimagining or just tweaking an already great product; asks whether we should have an entire workstream around Amana West.
 - B. Doannie - asks about bullet 3 on workstream 3 - are those things linked and how are they linked?
 - C. Deep Dive around short-term imperatives - Ehab
 - D. Next steps - committees review their individual workstreams and come back in November with actionable to-dos.
- VI. Academic Excellence Committee - Doannie
 - A. Developing some tests of key-assumptions related to reopening. Partnering with teachers and families to determine what works and what doesn't.

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- VII. Advancement Committee - Jack
 - A. Board Ask for Annual Fund gifts
- VIII. Governance Committee - Zafar
 - A. Second read of bylaws revisions - want to have a complete draft by November Board meeting.
- IX. MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:27