

Amana Academy Governing Board Meeting

March 26, 2020 (8:00am-10:00am via video conference)

Board Attendees: Kristina Leidner, Kaamilah Harris, Christina Lennon, Zafar Khan,
Jack Murphy, Leslie Jensen-Link, Misty Fernandez

Meeting started: 8:00 am ET

	Agenda Item	Notes
1.0	Slice of Amana Life	
5 min	Brandon Freeman GCSA Shoot for the Moon Award InVenture Challenge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Go fund me for the Freeman family still open.
2.0	Financial Report	
10 min	Monthly Financials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budgets presented based on whether we return on 4/13 or are out for the rest of the yea. PNL strong, not affected by adaptations from virus yet. However, if do not return in April will not see any savings. Amana: a little short budgetarily. Refunds of cancelled field studies will be a wash as no expenses. Hoping to be at high days cash on hand, virus affecting numbers. Fewer services for rest of the year. Amana West: Meeting all ratios Combined cash flow all good for bond holders <p>Motion to approve: Kristina, Jack seconded Jack - y Leslie - y Zafar - y Misty - y Kaamilah - y Christina - y Financials approved.</p>
5 min	Refinancing bond loan for Alpharetta campus	Savings significant, finance will move forward with getting full understanding to present at next meeting.
3.0	Executive Committee	
10 min	Operating in a virtual world Strategic planning - 3 pager Enrollment update SCSC compliance check-in FCS compliance check-in	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic and Operations response presented for near and long term contingencies. Robust academic response, strategy document available for review. EL structures being maintained as much as possible, working to retain academic standards as much as possible.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kristina raised parent comments that they may not send kids back even if school reopens. Suggestion to investigate what that may look like. • Kudos from the board to staff about excellence of virtual school site and response of teachers and staff. • Enrollment: conservative calculations have us slightly under Fulton predictions, hoping to end close or more to where we were last year. • FCS SOSA requirement waived, we will go ahead and do April 2nd via Zoom or similar. • SCSC requirements met for personnel handbook; student code of conduct and other policy requirements upcoming. School code coming, to allow for reimbursements. • Strategic Plan - input to be gathered using technology. Timeline getting pushed out due to current state of affairs.
	West Atlanta Campus Update	
5 min	Real estate - 1111 Hightower Dr.; Backup Plan RFQ for GC Approved vendors: Architecture, Modular vendor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facility challenging right now, SCSC is offering support and accommodations as they are able. • Timeline in jeopardy. Looking at alternative site to get started with, response is slow.
5 min	Student / Teacher recruitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lottery completed, 133 students to date. Strategies for recruitment changing due to virus. Changing tactics around that. Ideal is 220, 143 is what we are budgeting for. • State salary scale being used. Finalizing how to use that scale. Making adjustments to remain competitive with APS, Cobb, and Fulton. • 4 staff transfers from Amana to Amana West.
4.0	Academic Excellence Committee Report	
20 min	Virtual Amana Academy Mid-year benchmark testing results and retention letters	retention letters went out
5.0	Advancement Committee Report	
5 min	Case for Foundation Roadshow	for information - Christina
5 min	Community partnerships	Things geared toward covid right now, working on keeping engaged
6.0	Governance Committee Report	
5 min	Board member recruitment	working off the list created last year and making up plan to bring new members on.

8.0	Community Feedback (10 min)	
10 min		Kristina
9.0	Executive Session - Private Mtg (if needed)	
30 min	Staffing	