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The mission of Anansi Charter School is to develop the academic potential and emotional intelligence of each learner. We strive to promote the love of learning through student engagement, innovative educational practices and family and community partnerships.

Anansi Charter School Governing Council Regular Meeting

DRAFT MINS-January 17, 2024; 5:30 pm

Location- Anansi Charter School--Remote

Governance Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 17, 2023 · 5:30 – 7:00pm

Time zone: America/Denver

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/bdj-shbj-mib>

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I. CALL TO ORDER of the Regular Open Governing Council Meeting (**START RECORDING**)

Called to order at 6:01pm

Officers: X President: X Valerie Higgins[2022]; X Vice President: Leslie Mondragon

Romero [2021]; X Secretary: Leilani M. Dean [2021] ; Treasurer: Eitan Lewin [2022]

Members; X Iris Thornton [2020]; X Eileen Horn [2023]; X Hannah Garcia [202];

X Sophia Seim [2021];

Director: X Michele Hunt

Business Manager: Micheal Vigil & Seth Mender, The Vigil Group

Public Attendance: Alix Henry, Henry Architects

Student representatives: none

Leadership Team Member: none

II. Approvals

A. Agenda January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting (Action)

B. Minutes December 13, 2023 Regular Meeting (Action)

MOTION: I, Eileen Horn, move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council approve the January 17th Agenda and minutes for the December 13, 2023 regular meeting. Seconded by Valerie Higgins. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

III. Public Recognition and Comment(s) *none*

V. REPORTS [Highlights, Questions, Comments)

A. [Financial Report](#): The Vigil Group

1. Budget Overview Summary Report
2. BARS: Budget Adjustment Requests (action)- *Vigil Group notes that Bar 03-I for Community Schools was approved by vote in October has been changed to Bar 20-IB.*
3. Bank transition update -*Vigil Group continues to prepare for this transition. *Please Note for added transparency, that each Governing Council member has received an email from member Leslie Mondragon Romero regarding the conflict of interest statement with the bank transition.*

MOTION: I, Eileen Horn, move that the Anansi Charter School Governance Council move forward in the agenda to New Business item A.1. Facilities Committee and will resume with Council Committee reports afterwards. Leslie Romero Mondragon seconded. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

B. Council Committee Reports

1. Friends Report (Leilani) - *As presented by Michele, Friends gifted faculty with \$100 gifts, and smaller amounts for part time staff. Current Friends focus is WinterSports & preparations for Spring events.*

C. Director's Report

1. Review MOY Interim Assessment Data -*Michele shared overview of data*

V. New Business

A. Continued Discussion re Committees, Liaison Roles, and Board Member Reports to Governance Council

1. Facilities Committee(*Presented after Financial Report*) -*brief presentation by Alix Henry, Henry Architects for the Pre-K /Anansi facilities projects*
2. PreK Committee- *meeting and working, no report at this time.*
3. Documents Committee - *will schedule a meeting to address document needs.*

B. Establish Budget & Calendar Committees with meeting schedules

- a. Request Committee Members - *the following members agreed to support*

the committee work. Calendar Committee- Hannah & Leslie, Budget Committee- Eitan & Valerie.

b. Discussion of responsibilities

C. Review Lottery Process & Timeline -*Michele will be with the State to determine legalities and needs for incorporation the pre-k into the lottery and will push back opening of lottery to the middle of February.*

D. Legislative Update (Michele)

E. Review GC Bylaws ([Current Bylaws](#)) with focus on standing committees to determine whether all necessary as standing committees; consider separating Program and Facilities committees

MOTION: I, Valerie Higgins, move that the Anansi Charter School Governance Council move item E. Review GC Bylaws to regular February Meeting. Hannah Garcia seconded. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

VI. Consent Agenda

A. Contracts:

1. Facility Manager Contract: Robert Valencia Jr.
2. Leadership Academy Facilitator, Community Schools: Sunmoon LLC, aka George Otero

MOTION: I, Valerie Higgins, move that the Anansi Charter School Governance Council move to approve consent agenda & contracts as presented by Michele Hunt. Leilani M. Dean seconded. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

VII. Old Business

A. Onboarding Training Slide Presentation for new Members -to be updated and presented by Michele in an upcoming meeting.

VIII. Executive Session- [Limited to Personnel matters, Student discipline-Director]*

MOTION: I, Valerie Higgins, move that the Anansi Charter School Governance Council move into Executive Session at 8:12 pm to receive updates from the director regarding student

discipline issues and student records. Eileen Horn seconded. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

A. Update re Student Discipline Issues, Student Records

MOTION: I, Valerie Higgins, move that the Anansi Charter School Governance Council move out of Executive Session at 8:22 pm. And report that only the matters of student discipline and student records were discussed. No action taken. Leslie Mondragon Romero seconded. X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

IX. Items for February 2024 agenda

A. Review and Discuss Calendar and Topics for Discussion at GC Meetings, schedule of committee reports, etc.

B. Goals for the Director

C. Presentations: Indian Education Act, Updates for Yazzie Martinez Lawsuit, Student leadership presentation

X. Roles and Responsibilities

1. Iris Thornton -*Coordinate with Valerie and Michele to set up a documents committee meeting; attend equity council meeting; attend any facility committee meetings; attend any pre-k meetings; Coordinate with Michele re onboarding powerpoint/onboarding; complete GC trainings.*

2. Leilani Dean- *Thank teachers for awesome work on MYOs. Reach out to friends to make sure I get copy of mins, complete GC Mins,*

3. Sophia Seim -*Review docs for next GC meeting*

4. Leslie Mondragon Romero -*Prek Committee- visit Red River Charter School, Continue working on GC training requirements, Work w/ Michele & Hannah re: calendar committee*

5. Michele Hunt -: *Document committee and onboarding training, Facility planning committee meeting schedule, PRe-K steps with State and committee, reaching out to gather full committees for Budget and Calendar, announcement for lottery*

6. Eitan Lewin

7. Valerie Higgins -*Annual training hours, meet with Michele and Karina re pre-K program, tour Red River Pre-K program, schedule meeting with Iris and Michele re docs committee*

8. Eileen Horn -*Eileen will support the facilities committee/Michelle/architect as needed*

9. Hannah Garcia -*Calendar committee and support of facilities committee*

XI. Final Comments and Announcements

XII. Adjournment

MOTION: I, Eileen Horn move that the Anansi Charter School Governing Council adjourn the regular meeting. Valerie Higgins, seconded X All Approved {X indicates All Approved}

Adjourned at 8: 26p.m.

President: _____ Date: _____

