

AGENDA  
Discovery Academy of Science  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING-Emergency  
November 2, 2019 Minutes  
2817 St. Marks Dr. Dunedin FL 34698  
Saturday, 10:00 am

- 1- Call to order
- 2- Approval of the agenda items
- 3- Approval of 09/14/2019 board meeting minutes
- 4- Principal remarks
- 5- Public remarks
- 6- Discussion of the counteroffer from St. Marks Church Council
  - Architect selection
  - Building inspection
  - Attorney Goza & Hall proposal for legal counsel of the building purchase.
- 7- Approval of school recognition funds plan.
- 8- Staffing recommendations and OOF approval requests
  - Trena Beardsley OOF ESE in field Elementary Education K-6
  - Blanca Rossano Spanish
- 9- Review of form 990 Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- 10- Principal Akbaba evaluation update.
- 11- Review of the financial reports
- 12- Request for the charter contract extension with the School Board of Pinellas County.
- 13- Closure of the meeting

Additional Information  
Discovery Academy of Science  
Saturday, November 2nd, 2019, 10:00 am

Derya Yildirim                  Agron Elmazi                  Fatih Demir                  Fethullah Caliskan

Issues/ Items motioned and voted on by Governing Board Members:

1. The Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Mr. Fatih Demir

2. Approval of agenda items

Motion:        Approve agenda items Mr. Demir  
Second:        Mr. Elmazi  
Vote:            yes-4  
                    No-0

3. Approval of last board meeting minutes

Motion        Approval of the September 14, 2019 board meeting minutes Mr. Demir  
Second        Dr. Caliskan  
Vote            Yes-4  
                    No-0  
Vote            Yes-4  
                    No-0

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4. Principal remarks: Mr. Akbaba updated board members about the following items.

Mr. Akbaba gave updates were as below.

- New events parent university event on September 28<sup>th</sup>, replacing the middle school curriculum night.
- After school clubs began, new after school club model is implemented. One day club per teacher and one-day study hall
- Science olympiad program has begun, we have level-2 approved parent coaches and coaches from faculty and staff.
- Parent-teacher conferences were held on both campuses. Teachers offered personal sick day credit for after-hours extensions.
- Dunedin fire department visited our school for fire prevention month. Did a great show with the ladder.
- Oct-21-25, Bookfair held at the south campus last week. No space available at the north campus will plan for the next school year.
- Both campuses celebrated bookoween. Book projects were required.
- PVO fall fundraising so far raised funds around \$30K
- Most grade levels had their first field trips.
- We have the student of the month programs, and students received special lunch incentives. And quarterly big incentives as part of the PBIS program at DAS.
- Update on the dress code enforcement. Letters ssent to all parents.

5. Public remarks- no public remarks were made in this session.

6. Discussion of the counteroffer from St. Mark Church Council.

Board discussed the negotiations. Sale price agreed on \$2,750,000. Among the list of proposals the board decided to choose Robert Resch as the architect of the project. Mr. Akbaba presented offers for the building inspection. The board decided to wait on the inspection. This will completed after the purchase agreement done. Attorney's proposal was reviewed. Mr. Akbaba mentioned that we worked with Donald Hall when leasing the facility. The board decided on to continue working with him again

Board members reviewed the contracts and proposals.

Motion: Approve the agenda item-7 Mr. Demir  
Second: Dr. Caliskan  
Vote: yes-4  
No-0

7. Approval of school recognition funds.

- Mr. Akbaba will present the funds spending plan. No changed were made to the plan. It worked very well last year. The board decided to share half of the funds with the staff and another half to be used to enrich instruction. Mr. Akbaba will get the proposal voted in a all-staff meeting and be send to district budgeting department before winter break.

Board members reviewed the spending plan.

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- Motion: Approve the agenda item-7 Mr. Caliskan  
Second: Mr. Demir  
Vote: yes-4  
No-0
8. Staffing recommendations and OOF approval requests  
Board members presented the staffing recommendation and OOF requests as presented.  
Motion: Approve the OOF requests by Mr. Demir  
Second: Dr. Yildirim  
Vote:yes-4  
No-0
9. Review of FY 990 tax return document.  
Mr. Akbaba presented the document. The document is reviewed. No concerns were present on the tax return.
10. Review of Principal Akbaba evaluation for the 2019-20 school year.  
The model is now changed from Marzano to Florida Charter School Consortium Model. Mr. Akbaba will schedule each domain with board members.
11. Review of the current financial reports.  
The current financials shows positive income for each month. Due to incomplete part of south campus construction for the awning. There will be an additional expense in fall. It will be brought to board in its next meeting for approval.
12. Discussion of the 15-year contract extension with school board of Pinellas County.  
A 15-year contract will make DAS charter school be eligible to secure a financing model with a lower interest rate. Mr. Akbaba will ask this via email to the charter school office and seek an extension.
13. Closure of the meeting. The meeting is adjourned 10:15 pm.

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Board Members

Fatih Demir, Derya Yildirim, Fethullah Caliskan, Agron Elmazi