

## MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

The Board of Directors of AAMA, Inc. met in regular session, open to the public, at 6001 Gulf Freeway, Building E, Houston, TX, 77023 and open to the public via ZOOM, on January 19, 2024.

	Present	Present
Telisa Shead, Board Chair	Y (Z) Misha McCl	lure $Y(Z)$
Alexandria Hernandez, Vice Chair	Y (IP) Crystal R. M	Miranda Y (IP)
Adeeb Barqawi	Y (Z) Veronica Ne	eal N
David F. Curtis, PhD	Y (IP) Martin L. Pe	erez, PhD Y (IP)
Christian Diaz	N	
Charles Ezell	Y (IP)	
Ricardo Mago	Y (IP)	

<sup>\*</sup>IP = In Person

In addition, the following AAMA staff members attended on campus:

Adolfo Melara, PhD CEO, President, and Superintendent of George I. Sanchez Charter Schools Giselle Easton, Assistant Superintendent

Helen Cavazos, Director of Human Resources

David Tremont, Director of IT

Katarina Sowerby, Controller

James Dworkin, DSS

Gene Zhu, DSS

Nancy Capuchino, Executive Assistant

The following AAMA staff members attended via Zoom:

 $<sup>*</sup>Z = Z_{00m}$ 



- 1. Vice Chair A. Hernandez welcomed everyone at 7:33 a.m. to the Board meeting held on campus and via Zoom.
- 2. Vice Chair A. Hernandez called the meeting to order at 7:33 a.m.
- 3. Vice Chair A. Hernandez then called roll. There were three (3) Board members on the call and six (6) in person. A quorum was achieved at this time for TEA approval items and for AAMA items.
- 4. Vice Chair A. Hernandez reported that there was one (1) member of the public present at the meeting to speak during the open forum for public participation.
- 5. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the first agenda item: *Board Chair's Report.* Vice Chair A. Hernandez stated there is no Board Report.
- 6. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next item on the agenda: *CEO's Report.* CEO, President, and Superintendent stated there is no CEO Report.
- 7. At 7:37 a.m. the Board members went into executive session.
- 8. At 8:32 a.m. the Board meeting reconvened.
- 9. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the first approval item on the agenda. Vice Chair A. Hernandez called for a vote to approve the *December 8, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes*. Board Member C. Ezell made the first motion and Board Member Dr. Curtis made the second motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked for any discussion on December 8, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes and as there were not any, the motion carried.
- 10. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the second approval item on the agenda. Vice Chair A. Hernandez called for a vote to approve the *January 5, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes*. Board Member C. R. Miranda made the first motion and Board Member C. Ezell made the second motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked for any discussion on January 5, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes and as there were not any, the motion carried.
- 11. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next approval item on the agenda. *Consider and take possible action on compensation and contractual provisions of the CEO, President, and Superintendent.* Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked the Board for a motion on this agenda item. Board member D. Curtis made the first motion and Board member C. Ezell seconded the motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez opened for discussion. As there was no discussion, the motion carried and approved.
- 12. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next approval item on the agenda. Approval of a Services Agreement Between the Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans (AAMA) and Daisy Morales, for Consulting Services, from January through December 2024, in an Amount not to Exceed \$125,000. Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked the Board for a motion on this agenda item. Board member R. Mago made the first motion and Board member M. Perez seconded the motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez opened for discussion. Board members opened for discussion. Discussion continued and questions were answered. As there was no discussion, the motion carried and approved.



- 13. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next approval item on the agenda. *Approval of the FY23 Financial and Compliance Audit.* Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked the Board for a motion on this agenda item. Board member M. Perez made the first motion and Board member C.R. Miranda seconded the motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez passed the meeting to Shawana Spann with McConnell Jones to present the audit. The Board members opened the discussion and questions were answered.
- 14. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next approval item on the agenda: *Approval of the 2023-2024 Interlocal Agreement for 21st CCLC Cycle 11 Year 3 with Harris County.* Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked the Board for a motion on this agenda item. Board member R. Mago made the first motion and Board member M. Perez seconded the motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez opened for discussion. As there was no discussion, the motion carried and approved.
- 15. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next approval item on the agenda: *Approval of the Purchase of 500 Student Devices and 10 Charging Carts from Connection in the Amount of \$137,290.* Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked the Board for a motion on this agenda item. Board member C. Ezell made the first motion and Board member C. R. Miranda seconded the motion. Vice Chair A. Hernandez opened for discussion. As there was no discussion, the motion carried and approved.
- 16. Vice Chair A. Hernandez considered the next item on the agenda, *Finance Update: December Figures*. Vice Chair A. Hernandez passed the meeting to James Dworkin with DSS. James Dworkin presented the Finance update for the December Figures.
- 17. Vice Chair A. Hernandez asked for a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Board member, R. Mago made the first motion and Board Member D. Curtis seconded. As there was not any discussion, the motion carried, and the Board meeting ended at 9:23 AM.



## **Meeting Minutes Approval**

Passed and approved on 16 days of February 2024.

Telisa Shead, Board Chair

Adolfo Melara, PhD, CEO, President, and Superintendent