**Regular Governing Council Meeting Minutes**

**Aldo Leopold Charter School**

**September 9, 2021, 5:30pm**

**Ritch Hall 410 West 10th Street**

**Governing Council Regular meetings**

**Time: 5:30pm-7:30pm**

ALCS Mission: At Aldo Leopold Charter School, the human and natural environments serve as text and lab for learning through direct experience, inquiry, and stewardship.

ALCS Vision: Aldo Leopold Charter School graduates will use the skills, perspectives, and information they gain at school to enhance their own lives and to advance social, economic, and environmental sustainability.

Attendance – Wayne Sherwood, Melissa Frost, Catalina Claussen on Zoom, Tigerlily Warner on Zoom.

1. Convene / roll call 5:30 -AJ Sandoval, Alexandra Tager, Jamie Crockett on Zoom, Hannah Wecks
2. Reading of the Mission and Vision – AJ Sandoval
3. Review of Meeting Minutes (action) – motion to approve -Jamie, 2nd AJ, In Favor: Hannah, Alexandra, AJ, Jamie, Margaret
4. Agenda Review (action) – Wayne added mask mandate as a proposed mask mandate. Margaret joined meeting at 5:43. Changing next months regular meeting to October 21, 2021. Motion to approve agenda – AJ, 2nd – Jamie, In Favor: Hannah, Alexandra, AJ, Jamie, Margaret
5. Public Comment -none
6. Student Council Report-Tiger lily – Main thing Student Council is working on is to attend to misgender, 9th grade is very diverse. Lost Zoom connection.
7. Staff Report-Catalina Claussen – 9th / 12 backpack trip next week. Hired a new Language Arts high teacher Laire Kohnman. Middle School is at Ft. Bayard, Eco Monitors working at Iron Bridge, Murals – Child Development Center, Garden Crew -restoration, trails had been working in Rock Garden, but at San Vicente trails this week due to PNM working in area of rock garden. This is the first year ALCS has all female crew leaders.
8. Business Manager Report- Budget Presentation. Melissa Frost – Went over check register for August, answered questions. Went over the importance of a procurement card for Aldo. Answered questions about Amazon payments. Wayne discussed Parent Square.
9. Committee Reports- GC Committees:

School Advisory Committee (SAC) – not met

School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) – not met

Audit - Melissa – will meet next week after the audit. Harry and Melissa are working on the audit together, a lot of the questions to complete the audit, Harry must answer.

Finance – not met

Curriculum – not met

Facilities – did not meet, drop off is now completed. And will add permanent shade structures.

Nominating – Jamie – an interested candidate, but there was a miscommunication about tonight’s meeting.

Policy – Wayne – discussed mask mandate

Development -did not meet

Risk Management – Wayne – went over backpacking. Trip was postponed due to rain. Maddy will be gone the end of September, but Alex Olsen will be the new trip planner. Margaret would like to have someone hired as EE director by May, start advertising in January.

**ALSO, GC WILL CHOOSE COMMITTEES ON WHICH TO SERVE –**

Curriculum – Margaret chair Emily Aversa

Facilities – AJ, Chair - Wayne

Audit – AJ, Hannah – Chair – Melissa – meets quarterly

Finance – Margaret, Max, Melissa – Chair – meets quarterly

Risk – Jamie – Jim - Chair

SAC – Hannah. Andrea Warner, Fiona - Chair

SHAC - Alexandra, Jamie. Chair ?

Policy- Jamie. is usually sent through e-mail which is sent to GC members Chair ?

Combine nominating (meets as needed) and development (meets quarterly). Alexandra, Chair ?

1. **ZOOM BREAK (5 minutes)**
2. Director’s Report – Power school has a place where all information is stored for our STARS reporting, there is now a place to add the student’s desired name and desired gender. This is the document the student council is working on now. There is a permission slip, but ACLU states parents do not have to be notified if students prefer a different name or gender.

Discussed camping for vaccinated and unvaccinated students, so Middle School has decided to do a one-day trip to Ft. Bayard.

1. Governing Council Input – Hannah will reach out to Max about absences at meetings and committee meetings.
2. Old Business - none
3. New Business-
   1. Mask mandate Policy- discussion on mask mandate policy that was sent to all council members to review. Several of our classes are still outdoors.
4. Action Items
5. Nomination and vote on Governing Council officers –

Chair – Jamie nominated by Margaret, 2nd Alexandra, In Favor: Hannah, Alexandra, AJ, Jamie, Margaret

Vice Chair – Margaret is remaining as Vice Chair

Secretary – Alexandra nominated – Hannah, 2nd – Margaret, In Favor: Hannah, Alexandra, AJ, Jamie, Margaret

1. **Adjourn – Motion to adjourn – AJ, 2nd - Alexandra, In Favor: Hannah, Alexandra, AJ, Jamie, Margaret.**

**Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021, at 5:30pm**.