

March 18, 2020 1:00pm-4:00pm
KIPP SoCal Public Schools
3601 E First St
Los Angeles, CA 90063

Board members calling in: M. Armona, J. Berg, C. Bermudez, R. Bishop, M. Carlisle, P. Feder, L. Jacobson, E. Kavounas, H. Lord, J. Miller, N. Parraz, F. Reddick, L. Rodriguez

Board members absent: M. Montoya

KIPP SoCal team present: D. Greenberg

KIPP SoCal team calling in: M. Aaron, M. Aceves, C. Bocanegra, L. Brianza, K. Kepler, A. Martinez, K. Salyer, B. Sanchez, C. Westmoreland

Guests: C. Criswell (Potential New Board Member), J. Jhun (Endeavor College Preparatory Board Member), E. Gonzalez (Endeavor College Preparatory Board Chair), T. Morris (Endeavor College Preparatory Founder), D. Munoz (KIPP SoCal Parent), N. Riquelme (Endeavor College Preparatory Board Member), T. Sugimoto (Endeavor College Preparatory Board Member)

I. Welcome and Call to Order

L. Rodriguez called a meeting of the Board of Directors of KIPP SoCal Public Schools to order on March 18, 2020 at 1:02pm.

Quorum was reached at 1:02pm.

II. Public Comment

Delfina Munoz, a parent of a KIPP Academy of Innovation student. Ms. Munoz shared specific concerns about KIPP Academy of Innovation. She requested more staffing at the school, more training for personnel, more funding, and a crossing guard. She also thanked the Board for their work during the school shut downs amid the COVID-19 crisis but requested more resources, namely computers for virtual learning.

III. Consent

Due to school closures, item 3c was removed from the consent agenda by KIPP SoCal Management as all field trips have been cancelled.

L. Jacobson motioned to approve all remaining items on the consent agenda. H. Lord seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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IV. KIPP SoCal Update

M. Aaron, Chief Executive Officer, shared that some major events, such as Museum of KIPP Art (MOKA), may be cancelled. She shared some highlights in the region, such as ten of the eleven KIPP SoCal charters in Los Angeles County made the list of top performing schools in Los Angeles County. She also shared some challenges, namely the pending effects of the Corona Virus, such as recession, teacher hiring, and fundraising.

C. Bocanegra, Chief Operating Officer, led an overview of KIPP SoCal's operational response to COVID-19. Currently, KIPP SoCal has instituted a COVID-19 task force, daily virtual meetings, food service, virtual enrollment lotteries, and communications to the team and families.

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A. Martinez, Chief Academic Officer, led an overview of KIPP SoCal's academic response. KIPP SoCal is implementing paper packets, Chromebooks, and digital tools such as Google Classrooms. Video lessons and SpEd instruction are coming in the near term. A long term plan is in development. Discussion ensued.

M. Aaron described a potential strategic partnership with Endeavor College Preparatory, which located in Boyle Heights near both KIPP Promesa Prep and KIPP LA Prep. They have a facility that KIPP SoCal would be able to acquire. Though nothing has been decided, the timeline for merging would be similar to that with KIPP San Diego, approximately 16 months. Discussion ensued.

V. School Visit

L. Jacobson described a recent visit to KIPP Scholar Academy with J. Berg, P. Feder, E. Kavounas, and J. Miller. Highlights of the visit included meeting with the School Leader, Tiffany Moore, visits to classrooms, meeting with teachers, and meeting with family members.

VI. Governance Committee

L. Rodriguez introduced the CEO Emergency Succession Plan, which the Board must approve annually. The plan outlines the course of action in the case of a short term vacancy, a long-term vacancy, or a planned vacancy of the CEO.

L. Jacobson motioned to add Courtney Criswell to the KIPP SoCal Board of Directors. J. Berg seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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L. Rodriguez introduced the potential new Board Member, Courtney Criswell. Ms. Criswell is the Deputy Executive Director for Policy and Program at the PIE Network and was previously the Senior Director of Governance Affairs and Policy. Each Governance Committee member met with Ms. Criswell virtually and recommended that her addition be brought to the Board of Directors.

R. Bishop motioned to add Courtney Criswell to the KIPP SoCal Board of Directors. L. Jacobson seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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L. Brianza, Director of Public Programs and Authorizer Relations, introduced the Delegation of Specific Authority to the Governance Committee, which would give the Committee the power to approve charter material revisions, which would all the Public Programs and Authorizer Relations team to submit charter material revisions without calling a Special Board Meeting.

C. Bermudez motioned to approve the Delegation of Specific Authority to the Governance Committee. L. Jacobson seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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VII. Real Estate Committee

K. Salyer, Chief Financial Officer, introduced a potential lease opportunity for KIPP Ignite Academy at The Salvation Army Youth and Community Center.

E. Kavounas motioned to approve the Execution of the Forthcoming Lease for KIPP Ignite Academy to Occupy The Salvation Army Youth and Community Center. R. Bishop seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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K. Salyer introduced a potential expansion option for the School Success Team at 3607-3611 E First St.

L. Jacobson motioned to approve the Negotiation and Execution of the Lease for KIPP SoCal's SST to Expand and Occupy 3607-3611 East 1st Street and approve the Tenant Improvement Allowance up to \$200,000 to Complete the Required Renovations. H. Lord seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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VIII. Audit and Risk Committee

H. Lord introduced the auditor selection item, which would retain CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA) as KIPP SoCal's auditor for the fiscal year 2020.

R. Bishop motioned to Select CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA) as the fiscal year 2020. P. Feder seconded the motion. The board unanimously approved the motion by a roll call vote.

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L. Rodriguez adjourned the meeting to move to closed session at 2:44pm.

IX. Closed Session

L. Rodriguez, acting as KIPP SoCal Public Schools general counsel, led the closed session discussion. This discussion was subject to attorney-client privilege. The board reconvened at 2:58pm to report actions taken during closed session.

X. Open Session.

No actions were taken during closed session.

XI. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, L. Rodriguez adjourned the meeting of the KIPP SoCal Board of Directors at 3:03pm.