

Minutes: RSED Board of Directors Meeting (2016-17 Q3)

Thursday, February 23, 2017 - 12:00 PM PST

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1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order (12:00pm)

At 12:12pm, Mr. Jordan took roll call. With a quorum of board members present, Mr. Jordan called the meeting to order at 12:14pm.

Present Members: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

Tardy Members: -

Absent Members: Fred Ferrer, Alex Hernandez, Don Shalvey

Also Present: Preston Smith*, Maya Sethi*, Carolyn Davies Lynch*, Dynasti Hunt*, Daisy Lopez*, Brittany Kinser*, Keysha Bailey*, Oscar Sandoval*, Cheye Calvo*, Lige Shao*, Laura Kozel*, Chris Murphy*, Lynn Liao*, Carmen Chavez*, Jonathan Hernandez*

B. Public Comment on Off-Agenda Items (12:05pm)

At 12:15pm, Mr. Jordan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

2. Consent Items

A. Renew appointment of Arra Yerganian to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors through February 2019

B. Renew appointment of Alex Hernandez to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors through February 2019

C. Renew appointment of Deb McGriff to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors through February 2019

D. Renew appointment of Louis Jordan to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors through February 2019

E. Appoint Louis Jordan as Board Treasurer, effective February 2017 and through the remainder of his term on the Rocketship Education Board of Directors

F. Appoint Don Shalvey, Fred Ferrer and Alex Hernandez to the Achievement Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

G. Appoint Dave Kaval, Louis Jordan, Alex Terman, and Greg Stanger to the Business Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

H. Appoint Louis Jordan, Fred Ferrer, and Arra Yerganian to the Executive Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

I. Appoint Fred Ferrer, Alex Terman, and Arra Yerganian to the Academic Affairs Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

J. Appoint Jean-Claude Brizard as a Special Advisor to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors as a non-voting member of the Achievement Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

K. Appoint Justin Bakewell as a Special Advisor to the Rocketship Education Board of Directors as a non-voting member of the Business Committee for a one-year term effective February 2017 through February 2018

L. Approve minutes from November 29, 2016 Board of Directors meeting

M. Approve filing of organization's annual 990 information return for 6/30/16 following recommendation of Business Committee

N. Approve Educator Effectiveness Spending Plan

O. Approve Single Site District Plan for Rocketship Education's California schools

P. Approve Title I Schoolwide Program plan for Rocketship Redwood City Prep

Q. Approve Rocketship Education Home Visit Policy

R. Approve Rocketship Education Whistleblower Policy

S. Approve of Rocketship Education Parent Involvement Policy

T. Approve of Rocketship Education Contract Review Policy

U. Approve a Joint Agreement Between Rocketship Education Wisconsin and Rocketship Education, Inc., Regarding Director Appointment of Hector Colon

V. Approve Resolution 1617.06 (authorizing Rocketship Education signing authority for Heritage Commerce Bank accounts to Rocketship to Jim Weber, Assistant Controller and Keysha Bailey, CFO)

W. Approve Resolution 1617.07 (authorizing Rocketship Education signing authority for Wilmington Trust accounts to Rocketship to Jim Weber, Assistant Controller and Keysha Bailey, CFO)

X. Approve Resolution 1617.08 (authorizing Rocketship Education signing authority for Wells Fargo accounts to Rocketship to Jim Weber, Assistant Controller and Keysha Bailey, CFO)

Y. Approve Resolution 1617.11 Designating Signatory Authority for Grants

Z. Approve Resolution 1617.12 Approving and Authorizing Amendment of the Conflict of Interest Code and certain other actions related thereto

At 12:20pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to approve Consent Items 2(A)-2(Z). Motion was made by Mr. Terman, seconded by Mr. Weber, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

At 12:22pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to close the Open Session and open the Closed Session. Mr. Jordan invited Preston Smith*, Maya Sethi*, Keysha Bailey*, and Cheye Calvo* to the Closed Session. Motion was made by Mr. Terman, seconded by Ms. Slotter, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

3. Closed Session

A. Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation (Pursuant to: Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9). Number of cases: 2, Rocketship Education v. Mt. Diablo Unified School District, Superior Court of California, Contra Costa County, Case No. N-17-0137; and San Jose Unified School District v. Santa Clara County Board of Education, et, al., Court of Appeals of the State of California. Sixth Appellate Division. Case. No H041088.

4. Agenda Items

At 12:57pm, Mr. Jordan took roll call. With a quorum of board members present, Mr. Jordan called the meeting back to order at 1:43pm.

Present Members: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

Tardy Members: -

Absent Members: Fred Ferrer, Alex Hernandez, Don Shalvey

Also Present: Preston Smith*, Maya Sethi*, Carolyn Davies Lynch*, Dynasti Hunt*, Daisy Lopez*, Brittany Kinser*, Keysha Bailey*, Oscar Sandoval*, Cheye Calvo*, Lige Shao*, Laura Kozel*, Chris Murphy*, Lynn Liao*, Carmen Chavez*, Jonathan Hernandez*

A. Public report on actions taken in closed session and the vote or abstention of each member (1:30pm)

Mr. Jordan reported that in the matter of San Jose Unified School District v. Santa Clara County Board of Education, et, al., Court of Appeals of the State of California. Sixth Appellate Division, the Board voted to approve the filing of a petition for review in front of the CA Supreme Court.

B. CEO & Regional Updates (1:35pm)

Board discussed Item 4(B), but no action was taken.

C. Midyear update on staff satisfaction and NWEA mid-year results (2:15pm)

Board discussed Item 4(C), but no action was taken.

D. 2018-19 New school greenlighting discussion (2:45pm)

Board discussed Item 4(D).

At 3:09pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to greenlight moving forward to pursue opening up to one school in Antioch and up to one school in Washington DC in 2018-18 - contingent on meeting milestones as laid out in the board materials. Motion was made by Mr. Stanger, seconded by Ms. McGriff, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

At 3:11pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to greenlight moving forward to pursue opening up to one school in Milwaukee with the contingency that \$2million in funds are raised by August 2017. Motion was made by Mr. Weber, seconded by Mr. Stanger, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

E. Approve Rocketship Education Resolution 1617.09 authorizing actions to make Rocketship campuses Safe School Zones for all students (3:30pm)

Board discussed Item 4(E). At 3:48pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to approve Resolution 1617-09 subject to the following modifications: Delete the 6th "Whereas Clause" which states: "WHEREAS, a possible shift in ICE and CBP enforcement priorities has created a climate of heightened fear and anxiety for many Rocketship students and their families"; and delete the 2nd "Resolved Further" clause, which states: "RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board encourages the officers of Rocketship Education to enhance partnerships with community-based and legal service organizations and directs the school leaders of Rocketship Education to provide the necessary outlets for expression, learning, communication, and information, which may include, among other actions: Hosting community events with local non-profit organizations to provide families with legal information informing them of their rights; and Distributing a resource guide to families to provide information to families in need of immigration assistance". Motion was made by Ms. McGriff, seconded by Ms. Slotter, and passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

5. Adjourn

At 3:52pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Mr. Stanger, seconded by Mr. Weber, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Y: Louis Jordan, Greg Stanger, Ralph Weber, Dave Kaval, Joey Slotter, Ray Raven, Alex Terman, Deb McGriff, Arra Yerganian

N: -

Abstain: -

Respectfully submitted,
Daisy Lopez
Rocketship Education

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