

**Minutes for Regular Meeting of the Lewis Center for Educational Research Board
February 14, 2022**

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE:** Vice Chairman Rib called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.
2. **ROLL CALL:** LCER Board Members Pat Caldwell, Omari Onyango, Sharon Page, Kevin Porter, David Rib and Pat Schlosser were in attendance.

LCER Board members Torii Gray, Jim Morris and Jessica Rodriguez were absent.

Staff members Valli Andreasen, Fausto Barragan, Marcello Congo, Jisela Corona, Ryan Dorcey, Teresa Dowd, David Gruber, Heather Juarez, Lisa Lamb, Stacy Newman and Toni Preciado were also present.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** A public comment from Christian Lopez was read regarding masking.
4. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**
 - .01 Rick Wolf introduced his replacement on the LCER Board, Pat Schlosser, who was appointed by the Apple Valley Unified School District. Lisa Lamb also welcomed Pat to the Board.
 - .02 LCER Ambassadors Melissa Mangold and Apple Cheung gave an update on AAE student activities.
 - .03 Acacia Smith and Myles Long gave an update on NSLA student activities.
 - .04 Rick Wolf was recognized by Lisa Lamb for his service on the LCER Board. Kevin noted it is a bittersweet transition as we have been helped by his perspective. David thanked him for his service. Pat said to enjoy his retirement. Omari enjoyed his voice of wisdom.
 - .05 Jeff Nigro presented the 2020-2021 LCER audit and reviewed each section. The timeline of the audit was delayed due to Covid. There were no findings and it was a clean audit. Pat and Lisa commended David and his staff that there were no findings.
 - .06 Valli presented the annual AAE school update, including enrollment, challenges faced in 2021-22, highlights of 2021-22 including a new MPR, Air Force JROTC transition to Space Force JROTC, ARISS contact with the International Space Station, new computer science and robotics classes, ranked Best High Schools in US News, Best of the Desert awards, 100% graduation rate class of 2021, Multi-Tiered Support System team update and goals to support academic support, targeted intervention, tutoring and professional development, social emotional and behavioral supports, Go Beacon and Stop It programs that are working well to identify students who need these supports, student performance data, and financial data.

5. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - .01 Stacy Newman provided a Covid update with statistics on cases, contact tracing, and school masking, which is being reassessed on 2/28 by the State. We have testing on our campuses T – Th.
 - .02 Lisa Lamb discussed AB361, which provides teleconferencing during a state of emergency. We qualify, but legal cautions boards who enact this as we then should not hold any in person meetings as it undermines the rationale. Pat S. shared that AVUSD is providing the opportunity in case the need arises. Sharon would like to agendaize this to have the opportunity just in case it's needed. Pat C. noted that if our students can be in person we should be in person. We can agendaize this just in case schools close.
 - .03 David Gruber reported that NSLA gym plans are being submitted next week for approval by the City.
 - .04 Lisa Lamb reported she will now be the liaison between the Lewis Center Foundation and the LCER Board. Tyler Jaramillo is not able to be on the Foundation Board any longer and cannot be the chair. Jisela will be sending a survey to our constituents regarding the Foundation Board and propose some alternate days/times of meetings to recruit more members. The Foundation has become integral to projects on the campuses and employee recognition.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- .01 Approve Minutes of the January 10, 2022 Regular LCER Board Meeting
- .02 Approve LCER Ambassador Field Trip to Sacramento Week of March 28-April 1, 2022

On a motion by Kevin Porter, seconded by Omari Onyango, vote 6-0, the LCER Board of Directors approved Consent Agenda Items 6.01-6.0 2 by roll call vote.

7. ACTION ITEMS:

- .01 Jessica Rodriguez, LCER Board Chair, to Appoint Tyler Jaramillo as the Lewis Center Foundation Board Chair – Tyler Jaramillo is unable to serve as chair so he was not appointed.
- .02 Approve CSDC Agreement – David Gruber reported that CSPS is the property management company that has worked with us on the AAE MPR and NSLA campus expansion. They will continue on with the NSLA gym project. Pat noticed exhibit A and B were not included. It is an ad service and a continuation process. On a motion by Omari Onyango, seconded by Sharon Page, vote 5-0, with Pat Schlosser abstaining, the LCER Board of Directors approved the CSPS Agreement by roll call vote. Pat S. will abstain from voting on NSLA items at this time.
- .03 Approve NearCal Agreement – Pat C. noted that the last 3 exhibits J, K and L should be removed as they are for the preschool. On a motion by Sharon Page, seconded by Kevin Porter, vote 5-0, with Pat Schlosser abstaining, the LCER Board of Directors approved the NearCal Agreement by roll call vote.
- .04 Approve MOU with Lewis Center for Educational Re, search Data Sharing with Transitional Assistance Department & the Human Services Research – David Gruber reported that this MOU with the County of San Bernardino Transitional Assistance Department identifies student populations at our campuses. As we already provide universal free meals to students, families will not need to report income. This data will be able to provide us a direct report for certification. On a motion Kevin Porter, seconded by Pat Schlosser, vote 6-0, the MOU was approved by roll call vote.
- .05 Approve AAE Safety Plan – Valli Andreasen reported that the AAE Safety Plan must be updated annually. A template is used to be sure all requirements are met. On a motion by Pat Caldwell, seconded by Sharon Page, vote 6-0, the LCER Board of Directors approved the AAE Safety Plan by roll call vote.
- .06 Approve NSLA Safety Plan - Fausto Barragan discussed the NSLA Safety Plan. Kevin Porter asked if it included the preschool, which it does not. On a motion by Kevin Porter, seconded by Pat Caldwell, vote 5-0, with Pat Schlosser abstaining, the LCER Board of Directors approved the NSLA Safety Plan by roll call vote.

8. INFORMATION INCLUDED IN PACKET: *(Board members may ask questions on items for clarification.)*

- .01 President/CEO Report - Lisa Lamb reminded the Board to complete their Form 700. We have been in contact with the Sheriff's department and will be scheduling violent intruder trainings at both schools. The Board is invited to participate. Pat Caldwell asked if the Sheriff zoom presentation will be recorded so the Board can watch it. Yes, we will do so and send the link. Sharon Page noted that Lisa was surprised last Friday by the VVC Foundation with the Distinguished Service in Education Award. She will be inducted into their hall of fame on April 23 at their gala. Pat Schlosser thanked the Board for the warm welcome. He noted that AVUSD is also seeing a decline in attendance. The CEO evaluation process will begin with the previous Board member volunteers.
- .02 LCER Grant Tracking Report
- .03 LCER Financial Reports
 - Checks Over \$10K
 - Budget Comparisons
 - Lewis Center Foundation Finance Reports
- .04 Supplemental LCAP Reports for AAE and NSLA
- .05 AAE and NSLA Enrollment Data
- .06 LCER Board Attendance Log

9. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS:

.01 Ask a question for clarification

.02 Make a brief announcement or report on his or her own activities

.03 Future agenda items – Add AB361 to the next agenda

10. CLOSED SESSION: The Board convened into closed session at 6:17 p.m. to discuss Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release. The Board reconvened into open session at 6:57 p.m. Vice Chairman David Rib reported that no action was taken in closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chairman Rib adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.