

APPROVED

**RIO GRANDE ACADEMY OF FINE ARTS
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

June 7, 2022

Via Zoom

Governing Board Members

KATHY MCCLENDON, President	CHRISTINE MYA-SAN
DR. SUSAN MCCONNELL, Vice President	AMER CHILD
LEE BALDWIN, Treasurer	MARY ELLEN DANNENBERG
DR. JENN PENA, Secretary	

***Denotes potential action items for the Board**

NOTE: Agenda items can be added to the agenda for discussion, but they are not actionable. The Governance Board attempts to follow the order of items as listed, however, the order of specific items may vary from the printed agenda.

MINUTES

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER President

B. ROLL CALL of Board Members AND Welcome Staff and Guests Dr. Jenn Pena

C. Attendance:

- a. KATHY MCCLENDON, President
- b. DR. SUSAN MCCONNELL, Vice President
- c. LEE BALDWIN, Treasurer
- d. DR. JENN PENA, Secretary
- e. CHRISTINE MYA-SAN
- f. AMER CHILD - Not present
- g. MARY ELLEN DANNENBERG
- h. MICHELE PLATIS, Director of Academics

Guests:

- a. Dan Hill, Lawyer
- b. Rebekah Runyan, Business Manager
- c. Kelly Callahan
- d. Michelle Sanchez-St. Andre, Foundation President
- e. Angela Murray
- f. Dr. Mariana Ulibarri-Duran

***ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

President

Dr. Susan McConnell motioned to approve the agenda with moving the Foundation Report after

approval of the Calendar. Lee seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

D. Pledge of Allegiance & Salute to the New Mexico Flag

All Invited

E. *APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 3, 2022 Governing Board

F. *APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM May 13, 2022 Special Meeting Governing Board

Lee Baldwin motioned to approve the minutes. Christine Mya-San seconded the motion. Dr. Susan McConnell abstained. Motion carries unanimously.

G. STUDENT PRESENTATION (When Available)

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Public Comment:

- a. Members of the public who wish to speak at the Governing Board meeting, must sign-up prior to the meeting on the Public Comment sign-up sheet. The Governance Board President will set the time limit per presenter at the beginning of the meeting based on the number of persons signed up to address the Board. Persons from the same group and having similar viewpoints are asked to select a spokesperson to speak on their behalf. Multiple and repetitious presentations of the same view will be discouraged and may be ruled out of order.
- b. If the meeting is held virtually, public comment will be allowed during the meeting via Zoom. To speak during public comment, please email your request to speak with your name to up to twenty-four hours prior to the meeting to kathy.mcclendon@riograndeacademyoffinearts.com - Speakers will be unmuted in order to address the Governance Board. Public comments will be limited to 3 minutes or based on the number of speakers. The public may also email comments to Kathy McClendon at kathy.mcclendon@riograndeacademyoffinearts.com - Emailed comments will be kept with the records of the meeting.

The following format is not indicative that each thing is up for discussion, but a framework in which to fit the Board's business for meeting purposes.

G. OPERATIONS

a. Property/Site--UPDATE

Directors

b. Electronics

c. Construction/Repairs

d. Staffing

e. Safety and Security – Discussion

Governing Board

f. *Calendar--APPROVAL

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Dr. Susan McConnell motioned to approve the calendar as presented. Lee Baldwin seconded motion. Motion carries unanimously.

H. INSTRUCTIONAL

a. Curriculum

Directors

b. Schedule

c. Professional Development/Training

Continue to create schedule and looking for funds to pay for PD

d. Students

E. Staffing

Interviews ongoing and looking for a Special Education teacher

e. Recruitment Report

62 students

Enrollment starts next week.

I. FINANCIALS

a. Finance Committee

Lee Baldwin

b. *May Financial Reports--APPROVAL

Governing Board

Kathy motioned to approve Financial reports. Lee seconded motion. Presented by Lee Baldwin and clarification from Rebekah Runyan.

Motion carries unanimously

c. *Salary Schedules--APPROVAL

Rebekah Runyan/Governing Board

Lee Baldwin motions to approve salary schedules. Christine Mya-San seconded the motion.

Discussion on salary schedules and what is best for competition and having the funds necessary. Motion carries unanimously.

d. *Budget Adjustment RequestsAPPROVAL Rebekah Runyan/Governing Board

Kathy motion to approve budget adjustment request. Lee Baldwin seconded motion.

K12 Accounting to do a blanket adjustment (transfer bar/maintenance) in June and then reported in July. Motion carries unanimously.

J. GOVERNANCE

a. *Directors' Contracts—APPROVAL

Rebekah Runyan/Governing Board

Lee Baldwin motioned to approve Director contracts. Dr. Jenn Pena seconded.

Discussion and corrections made. Motion to approve with changes as stipulated in the document discussed the contract for each Director, separately. Motion carries unanimously.

b. *FY23 Salary Amounts—APPROVAL

Rebekah Runyan/Governing Board

Dr. Susan McConnell motion to approve FY23 salaries to be \$98,000 for each Director. Dr. Jenn Pena second the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

c. *Section 218 Agreement (if needed)

Director Franco/Governing Board

Kathy McClendon motioned to approve a resolution for Section 218. Dr. Jenn Pena seconded Section 218 Resolution. Discussion: Can employees opt out if the school chooses to have social security? When we have a staff, the new staff will vote if they want to opt out. After year 1 teachers will not be able to vote. Kathy McClendon withdrew motion. Dr. Jenn Pena withdrew second. This is tabled until the August meeting.

d. *Special Education Policies -- APPROVAL Director Platis/Governing Board

Kathy McClendon motioned to approve Special Education Policies. Jenn Pena seconded the motion. Dr. Jenn Pena discussed the policies. Motion carries.

e. Documents Notice (FAEA Assurances; Certification B: No Public Facility Available)

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K. FOUNDATION

a. Foundation Report

Foundation Representative

Michelle Sanchez-St.Andre Report:

Have 501c3.

Currently includes 3 members: Michelle Sanchez-St. Andre, Ron Ortiz, Alyssa Skrepcinski and lost a member

Angela Lopez from PCSNM coming on board

Reyna Silva coming on board

July 16th 11AM-1PM - Ribbon Cutting

L. DIRECTOR/S COMMENTS

Directors

M. GOVERNING BOARD COMMENTS

Governing Board

N. ADJOURNMENT

President

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RECORDED BY Michele Platis

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