

Irvine International Academy
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, September 28, 2021, 6 p.m.
Board Meeting Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL – 6:08 P.M.

At this time, members of the public may seek clarification about any item on the agenda or address the Board regarding any item to be considered on the Open Session Agenda, or comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the Board. The Board may not take action or discuss any subject that is not on the agenda, but wishes to allow time for public participation in its meeting

2. ROLL CALL

Doug Husen - present
Glenn Rogers - present
Ethan Kay - present
Brett Freeman - present
Ed Watson – present
Jolene Smith – absent
Miller Zhuang - absent

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. CLOSED SESSION

Anticipated Litigation

5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. APPROVE LAST BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Action: Motion – G. Rogers Second – E. Watson

Vote:

Doug Husen - aye

Ethan Kay - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

6. UPDATE FROM SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL SCOTT

Recognition of honor by awarding plaques to the following donors:

Kay Family Foundation

Larry and Helen Hoag Foundation

Michael and Robin Scott.

IIA celebrated the Mid-Autumn Festival 9/25 on the campus field and brought in 300 p It was a show of unity and commitment. The IIA PTO was acknowledged for putting this successful festival together.

Dr. Scott is collecting signatures for the Prop 39 initiative to secure the campus building. Every class was handed a packet of surveys to see how many students are planning to come back to IIA next school year.

Since IIA is in Irvine, our school location does not collect as much grant money as neighboring cities. In order for our students to have the same level of technological equipment as IUSD, we need to raise funds from our families and community. An appeal is made to donate to the school.

In addition to being a Mandarin immersion school, IIA is also STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) school. IIA emphasizes Science through language. Thanks to the Kay Family Foundation donation, IIA is able to fund a Science coordinator and adviser to guide our teachers.

Introduction of Parisa Geshti, our Covid Safety Officer, who has a Masters in Public Health, in addition to being our TK/K teacher. She will implement our Covid protocols on campus and make sure all staff and students are following CDC guidelines.

7. BUSINESS AND FISCAL UPDATE

Ethan Kay is the chair of the Finance committee. He reported that the committee met on September 21 and will continue to meet every 3rd Tuesday of the month to follow up on IIA budget and finance matters. The committee consists of board members Glenn Rogers, Doug Husen, and Ethan Kay. There is a recommendation to find a parent representative in the committee. Ethan Kay will be speaking with PTO president to start the search.

After the last Finance committee meeting, Chairman Ethan Kay emphasizes that the question of OCMD and IIA was focused on where IIA money was moving towards and concludes that no money was remitted from IIA and Wonder Kids to OCMD (Orange County Music and Dance). Documents are available for the public. During the Finance committee meeting, Delano Jones presented a comprehensive overview of IIA budget. The committee concluded that IIA financials is sound and the school is in a good place on its first year of operation.

Delano Jones presented IIA budget by showing AAS-YTD by Resource, including classified and certificated personnel salaries, personnel benefits, revenue, detailed expenses, enrollment, grants, etc. The net income of IIA is about \$65K with wiggle room enough to survive and thrive the next year of school operation.

8. BOARD AGENDA

8.1 The Board will consider the history between OCMD and IIA: Document is available for public viewing laying out the history of how OCMD and IIA came into partnership.

8.2 The Board will consider for approval: Epicenter documents to be sent to OCDE, including Staff-Student Interaction Policy, Student-Family Handbook, and Uniform Complaint Policies and Procedures

Action: D. Husen Second: B. Freeman

Vote: Unanimous

Glenn Rogers - aye

Ethan Kay - aye

Ed Watson – aye

8.3 The Board will consider for approval: Charter School Revolving Loan Fund Program

Action: G. Rogers Second: E. Kay

Vote: Unanimous

Doug Husen - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Ed Watson – aye

8.4 The Board will discuss and consider for approval: Purchase of three sets of 34 chrome books plus carts for a total of 102. This will be used for Renaissance Star 360 and State testing at the end of the year.

Action: Tabled to a possible special board meeting until a definitive amount is set between three competing bids.

8.5 The Board will discuss Transitional Kindergarten for the 2022-23 school year.

Action: This decision is deferred until the formation of an Education/Curriculum committee.

8.6 The Board will consider approval: Education/Curriculum Committee

Action: G. Rogers Second: E. Kay

Vote: Unanimous

Doug Husen - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Ed Watson – aye

9. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

Brett Freeman congratulates Dr. Scott and Principal Chuang, and noticed structural improvements since the last board meeting, especially in following Covid protocols, organization, and safety. Ethan Kay commends IIA after reviewing budget and finances, and emphasizes the need to maintain the high standards already set by achieving the support of 350 students right out the gate. Ed Watson echo B. Freeman's thoughts.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Action: G. Rogers Second: E. Watson

Vote: Unanimous

Doug Husen - aye

Ethan Kay - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Next Regular Meeting: October 26, 2021

Posted By: Marybeth Chen

Date: September 28, 2021

Link to the record video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=STQ5E10o9jQ>