

Irvine International Academy
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, October 12, 2021, 6 p.m.
Board Meeting Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL – 6:00 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 - absent

Brett Freeman - present

Ed Watson – present

Jolene Smith – present

Miller Zhuang - absent

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. APPROVE LAST BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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

Vote:

Doug Husen - aye

Jolene Smith - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

5. UPDATE FROM SUPERINTENDENT MICHAEL SCOTT

IIA will be partnering with the UC Irvine School of Education in providing in-service Reading and Writing instruction to students from K-2nd grade. Dr. Scott and Dr. Kim are in discussion on how to implement the program.

6. BOARD AGENDA

6.1 The Board will consider Chromebook Bid Review and Purchase. Discussion centered around the bidding process and whether there are enough bids for consideration. Board member B. Freeman brought up the possibility of looking up where other charter schools are purchasing their chromebooks. Board member Husen also suggested OCDE and where they purchase their computers. Chromebooks will be reimbursed by the public charter school grant (\$300,000 the first year and these computers qualify) and this is separate from the PTO application for grant towards computer (not approved yet). The Board moves to allow Dr. Scott and Principal Chuang the freedom to spend as much as it is needed expecting that we will be getting the best value.

Action: D. Husen Second: B. Freeman

Vote:

Glenn Rogers - aye

Jolene Smith - aye

Ed Watson – aye

6.2 The Board will consider for approval: Payment of back salaries owed to Principal Chuang and Dr. Scott for work done in prior fiscal year.

For the amount of \$6,999.60, the board moves to approve Principal Chuang for his work in June 2021.

Action: D. Husen Second: J. Smith

Vote:

Glenn Rogers - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Ed Watson – aye

For the amount of \$23,333.00, the board moves to approve Dr. Michael Scott for his work in May and June 2021.

Action: D. Husen Second: B. Freeman

Vote:

Glenn Rogers - aye

Jolene Smith - aye

Ed Watson – aye

6.3 The Board will consider for approval: Allocate \$25,000 in budget for hiring Teaching Assistants. The PTO will help to subsidize costs for three additional

teaching assistant. The Board moves to approve to use IIA net money to spend on classroom aides.

Action: E. Watson Second: G. Rogers

Vote:

Doug Husen - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Jolene Smith - absent

6.4 The Board will discuss and consider for approval: Hiring of Mark Hopkins as school psychologist with Effectual Education. He will be off-site even though a discussion is made about the possibility of making him on-site in the future. Mark Hopkins will be making recommendations and not testing so this makes it possible for him to be off-campus. The Board moves to approve the hiring of Mark Hopkins for \$100/hour as needed.

Action: D. Husen Second: B. Freeman

Vote:

E. Watson – aye

G. Rogers – aye

J. Smith - absent

6.5 The Board will discuss and consider for approval: Hiring of Bill Evans as special education director. The proposal is for Mr. Evans to be hired a part-time employee in IIA with an expectation to follow school parameters even though he is already employed full-time in Long Beach Unified. He will be employed for \$70/hour and will submit a timesheet for about 20 hours/month for five students. But he will be off-site and serves as a stop-gap until IIA hires a full-time special education teacher. Discussion is brought up regarding his wages and possible future conflicts regarding STRS and insurance issues. Decision is reached to ask Bill Evans become an independent contractor under Effectual Education for \$100/hour. He will only be in IIA until we find a full-time special education teacher to fulfill an upcoming audit requirement. The Board moves to approve the hiring of Bill Evans as an interim solution.

Action: G. Rogers Second: D. Husen

Vote:

E. Watson – aye

B. Freeman – aye

Jolene Smith – absent

7. BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

From board member Brett Freeman, the need for a school psychologist to address the social/emotional issues of the student body should be revisited in future board meetings.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Action: D. Husen Second: G. Rogers

Vote:

E. Watson - aye

Brett Freeman - aye

Jolene Smith - absent

Posted By: Marybeth Chen

Date: October 14, 2021

Link to the record video: <https://youtu.be/KXMCKI9R5Yk>