

Board Meeting of the Online School of Arizona Board of Directors

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: Time: Location:

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 1:00 PM Arizona Time

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Item 1: Call to Order / Roll Call

Erin Albert, Board President called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

Board Member	Present	Absent
Erin Albert - President	Present	
Laura Hatton – Vice President/Treasurer	Present	
Paul Mendoza – Secretary	Present	

Others present: Pandey, Abel Perales, Cozette Moore

Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance

Erin Albert, Board President recited the Pledge of Allegiance follows:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Item 3: Statement of Purpose

Erin Albert, President recited the Statement of Purpose as follows:

"This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda."

Item 4: Regular Business

- Approval of the Last Board Meeting Minutes

Erin Albert, President made a motion to approve the Last Board Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Laura Hatton. Ayes – all. Nays - none. Motion carried to approve the Agenda.

Ayes: Erin Albert, Laura Hatton, Paul Mendoza

Nays: None.

- Public Comments on Agenda Items

No one present at meeting for public comment on Agenda Item.

Item 5: Leadership Update

Erin Albert called for discussion the Leadership Update. Abel Perales presented to the Board the Leadership Update:

- **Enrollment and Academic Update:** Abel Perales stated for enrollment we are at 54 kids currently and then we do have a handful of students in queue. There are presentations scheduled throughout the rest of the month and into May with local junior high schools and just sharing information about our program and finding other organizations that are very similar and which students they serve and are also offering different programs and different options for secondary education.
- **Next School Year Update:** Abel Perales presented next school year update to the Board. Into the next year, the school will be working with the community to establish a career readiness center and helping students requesting assistance with resumes and finding jobs. Abel Perales also informed the Board that a massive marketing campaign is in progress to increase student enrollment. The Board had no further questions.
- **Discussion on adoption of Homeless Policy**

Erin Albert called for discussion on adoption of the Homeless Policy. Shubham Pandey presented to the Board the Homeless Policy. As required by the Arizona State Law, adoption of a Homeless Policy is required. Pioneer Technology has a Homeless Policy and, as we share the space there with Pioneer Technology, we are requesting the Board to use this policy and adopt it for OSA. There were no questions by the Board.

- **Discussion on adoption of Emergency Operation Plan**

Erin Albert called for discussion on adoption of Emergency Operation Plan. Shubham Pandey presented to the Board that every school is required to have its own Emergency Operation Plan. We have created a policy for board consideration for adoption. As we are using space for the Online School of Arizona, we are requesting the Board adopt the Emergency Operation Plan as is. There were no questions by the Board.

Item 6: Action Items

a.) Action on Adoption of Homeless Policy

Erin Albert, President made a motion to approve the Homeless Policy as shown. The motion was seconded by Paul Mendoza. Ayes – all. Naves - none. Motion carried to approve the Homeless Policy.

Ayes: Erin Albert, Laura Hatton, Paul Mendoza

Naves: None.

b.) Action to adopt the Emergency Operation Plan.

Erin Alber, Board President made the motion with required wording to adopt the Emergency Operation Plan as follows:

I, Erin Albert, move that the Board of Directors of the Online School of Arizona Adopt the Pioneer Technology and Arts Academy of Arizona Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) adopted on February 27, 2024. This comprehensive plan outlines the school's preparedness, response, and recovery strategies for a wide range of potential emergencies, including natural disasters, technological hazards, biological incidents, and human-caused emergencies.

The plan has been developed in accordance with guidelines from the Arizona Department of Education and the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs and follows the recommendations of FEMA's Multi-Hazard Emergency Operations Planning for Schools. It emphasizes a coordinated and systematic approach to emergency management, prioritizing the safety and well-being of our students, staff, and the broader community.

Furthermore, this motion acknowledges the diligent efforts of the district and campus leadership teams, alongside the Phoenix Police and Fire Departments, in conducting a thorough review and walkthrough of our campus facilities. Their contributions have ensured that the EOP is both practical and tailored to our specific needs.

Therefore, by this motion, I recommend that the Board formally adopt the PTAA AZ EOP as the guiding document for emergency preparedness and response for the Online School of Arizona Learning Center located within the campus of Pioneer Technology & Arts Academy of Arizona. This adoption will also include a commitment to review and update the plan regularly to reflect new insights, changes in the operational environment, and improvements in emergency management practices.

I present this motion to the Board for a vote.

Erin Albert made a motion to approve the Emergency Operation Plan as written.

Laura Hatton seconded the motion to adopt the Emergency Operation Plan. Ayes – all. Nays - none.

Motion carried to adopt the Emergency Operation Plan. Motion carried.

Ayes: Erin Albert, Laura Hatton, Paul Mendoza. Nays: None.

Item 7: Board Strategy and Planning

No comments made.

Item 8: Public Comments on Non Agenda items

No one present for public comment.

Item 9: Adjournment

Erin Albert, President made a motion to adjourn meeting. The motion was seconded by Paul Mendoza. Ayes all. Nays none. Motion carried to adjourn meeting.

Ayes: Erin Albert, Laura Hatton, Paul Mendoza. Nays: None.

Meeting adjourned at 1:19 p.m. Arizona Time