

Santa Ana Unified School District

Advanced Learning Academy

Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2024

11:00 am

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I. Welcome/Call to Order – Alicia Skibby motioned to have Amy Scruton facilitate the meeting, Bryan Davis seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting was called to order by Amy Scruton at 11:04 am

a. Members Present

i. Vice President: Alicia Skibby

ii. Principal: Amy Scruton

iii. Member: Gloria Lira

iv. Member: Bryan Davis

v. Member: Cheryl Whittington

vi. Visitor: Annette Cordero Jackson

vii. Member Absent: President: Diana Torres

II. Review Minutes from Previous Meeting on February 27, 2024 – Ms. Whittington motioned to approve the minutes, Ms. Skibby seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

III. Public Input – No Public Input

IV. Principal's Report

a. Ms. Scruton met with Gloria regarding the budget and it was determined that ALA can add staff. There has been an increase in enrollment at the TK-5 level so there is a need for two more elementary teachers so we can have a teacher per grade level and eliminate the combo classes.

Enrollment Overview – Enrollment numbers increased from 356 to 415 students TK-12. Since we are now able to eliminate the combo classes at the elementary level we will be able to take in more students throughout the year at the elementary level.

## V. Presentations

a. We have a variety of funding sources that include LCFF, Federal, State, and other revenue sources. We also have an Arts Grant, a CTE grant, the learning recovery block grant, and a few other small grants. This pays for salaries, facilities, materials and supplies, and other site needs. We had a positive variance overall because of increased funds and because it took us time to fill some of the positions.

1. When looking at the comparability chart a portion of the funds goes to teacher stipends, professional development and planning, AVID tutors (these areas come with health and welfare costs), a library for the TK-8 site, project kinship, transportation and admissions for fieldtrips. Many of these items could be paid for from ESSR funds. These funds will be eliminated from our budget as of September 30, 2024. At that time many of these costs will be transferred to the general account.

## 6. VI. Regular Action Items

a. Approval of Interim Budget as presented. Mr. Davis motioned to approve the Interim budget as presented, Ms. Whittington second the motion, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

## 7. VII. Adjournment – Ms. Scruton adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am

Next Regularly Scheduled ALA Board Meeting will be on June 27, 2024