
**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF TUCSON COUNTRY DAY CHARTER SCHOOL OF MEETING HELD
AUGUST 10, 2021**

A public meeting of the Governing Board of Tucson Country Day Charter School was convened on Tuesday, August 10th, 2021, at 5:00 PM at Tucson Country Day School, 9239 E. Wrightstown Rd., Tucson, Arizona, 85715 and via Zoom.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Governing Board of Tucson Country Day Charter School:

Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick, and Allan Stockellburg

Absent: None

Quorum present? Yes

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 PM by Allan Stockellburg

The following matters were discussed, considered, and decided at the meeting:

CALL TO PUBLIC

The following people made comments during call to the public:

- Linda Meck regarding her aversion to a mask mandate.
- Sarah McKeown regarding a positive COVID-19 case letter that was sent out.
- Hana Feeney regarding what role parents get to take in the board meetings and parking lot congestion.
- Amy Levino regarding everyone using masks.
- Heather Newman regarding positive COVID-19 letter not being sent to all families and parents on campus by invitation only.
- Brooke Roop regarding parking lot congestion and its affect on local businesses and neighbors as well as her family's choice to wear masks.
- Tom Moran regarding his aversion to masks and studies proving them ineffective.
- Katrina Richman regarding our staff being a good example to our students by wearing masks.
- Joel McDermott regarding his aversion to masks and being pro parent choice.
- Jessica Deighan regarding positive COVID-19 letter not being sent to all parents with more information. Her son is immune compromised.
- Tara Drummond regarding our staff being a good example to our students by wearing masks.
- Heidi Hatley regarding masks being worn incorrectly and rendering them ineffective. Pro parent choice regarding masks.

- Board Member Allan Stockellburg commented about communication and is hopeful that we can remedy that.

ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEETINGS:

July 20, 2021

Motion to approve the minutes of the School Board meeting for July 20th, 2021.

Motioned by Josh Ruddick and seconded by Richard Cooper

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick and Allan Stockellburg

July 29, 2021

Motion to approve the minutes of the School Board meeting for July 29th, 2021.

Motioned by Josh Ruddick and seconded by Richard Cooper

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick, and Allan Stockellburg

CFO UPDATE

Lauren Mosgrove

- Lauren is still in the process of closing the books for FY21
- Our audit starts on August 20th and will last until September 20th. During our October 5th scheduled board meeting, Henry Fortino, our auditor, will present the audit. The board members will need to vote to approve the audit with a roll call vote.
- The detailed budget has been submitted to the board members for review.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DETERMINE AND APPROVE WHO CAN SIGN THE E-RATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TCDS AND THE YAVAPAI COUNTY EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY

Lauren Mosgrove

- Lauren recommends that our Chief Operations Office be designated as the signer for our E-Rate agreement

Motion to approve Jordan Krause, Chief Operations Officer as the official signer of our E-Rate agreement between TCDS and the Yavapai County Education Service Agency.

Motioned by Renee Danielson and seconded by Josh Ruddick

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick, and Allan Stockellburg

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Jordan Krause

- Enrollment update: Lil Champs is now at 47 students. Kinder-8th is at 551.
- We are still working out the kinks in the parking lot.
- We will be starting a Champ Patrol, where students will take on leadership roles and responsibilities around campus.
- Our first parent morning coffee was held this morning. Every Tuesday parents will be invited on campus to have coffee and meet with our Leadership Team as well as other parents. The third Tuesday of every month will be designated for our PTSA to meet with parents. Our PTSA is currently working to change to an independent PTO and will go by the acronym PLEDGE.
- Mr. Krause will be surveying staff regarding the effectiveness of the Inservice week and Meet N Greet.
- Our Leadership Team is developing measurement metrics for growth plan success.
- During the first quarter all teachers will be studying Project-Based Learning guidelines during Staff Development.
- A monthly Leadership Team presentation to all staff will highlight a Core Value. Weekly “stand up” meetings will also highlight a Core Value or phrase from our Mission or Vision Statements.
- Fundraising has started again with Ms. Nicky running the student store at lunch for 4th-8th grade students and after school on Fridays. We also have dress down days every Friday. All monies raised will go to campus beautification.
- The parking lot congestion was discussed at length. Mr. Krause decided to add 5 minutes to each drop off and pickup window as well as create a right turn only during pick up to help.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO REVIEW THE MITIGATION STRATEGIES PLAN TO INCLUDE THE MASK POLICY

Jordan Krause

- Mr. Krause started with a 6-minute video that pointed out the that the science on mask wearing and COVID-19 transmissions is mixed.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KnhUu7Ba4>
- Mr. Krause recommended that TCDS continue to keep masks optional for all individuals. We must trust our families to make the right decisions for their children. We grow at the speed of trust. By mandating masks, we are telling parents that we don't trust them to make good decisions, so instead we must make those decisions for them. TCDS is not a “copycat school” we are a unique campus and should not make decisions for our school based on big districts.
- Mr. Krause stated that, mandates often divide and erode trust within the culture of communities. We must realize that COVID-19 is going to be around for a long

- time and our best strategy is to learn to live with it by being “excellent in the ordinary.” This means staying home when you’re feeling sick, hand washing, utilizing our outdoor campus and continuing to be driven by our Vision, Mission and Core Values.
- Mr. Krause proposed a few changes to our Mitigation Strategies Plan that included the following:
 - Changing the Close Contacts wording to: Any student or staff member who shares a class with a person who tests positive for COVID-19 has two options:
 - Quarantine, according to Pima County Health Department Guidelines. Students/families who choose this option will have work sent by their child’s teacher(s) for the duration of the quarantine.
 - Continue schooling on campus and monitoring symptoms.
 - Change the Positive COVID-19 Notifications wording to: In the event of a possible close contact, TCDS will notify parent/legal guardian and/or staff members of possible exposure, and provide the two options they have, outlined in the “close contacts” in this document.
 - The board members continued to discuss the mitigation strategies, legal ramifications, and mask mandate at length.

Motion to approve the Mitigation Strategies Plan with proposed changes and to keep the mask policy the same as it currently is.

Motion by Bruce Forche and seconded by Josh Ruddick

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick and Allan Stockellburg

Motion to have a simple letter regarding what was discussed and decided during tonight’s board meeting written up and sent out to parents.

Motion by Bruce Forche and seconded by Renee Danielson

Amendment to current motion to have the letter board approved before being sent to parents.

Amendment to motion by Allan Stockellburg

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick and Allan Stockellburg

Motion to add cross-ventilation requirements to the Mitigation Strategies Plan changes.

Motion by Josh Ruddick and seconded by Renee Danielson

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick and Allan Stockellburg

CALL TO PUBLIC

- Ali Parent regarding COVID-19 testing guidelines and tests having false results. Questions regarding PLEDE meetings.
- Hana Feeney commented on how Board Member Bruce Forche delivers his opinions during the meetings. Hana also does not believe that ClassDojo creates a sense of community.
- Linda Meck commented that making teachers wear masks will not make students wear masks.
- Jessica Deighan commented that she is disappointed in the board's decisions. Would like to see better contact tracing.
- Rob Sandner commented that no one should be forced to do anything. This is an opportunity to be independent thinking individuals who take responsibility for their own actions.
- Stacy West commented that we all knew masks were optional when we started school on August 5th. Doing anything in public is taking a risk.
- Amanda Edwards regarding not many students in class wearing masks. Ducey's executive order doesn't go into effect until September 29th, can we mandate something in the meantime.
- Megan Coy Schwamb commented that this is a chance for us to come together as a community and not everyone feels supported. Children should be taught that they are socially responsible for helping the community stay safe.
- Heather Newman regarding no ventilation, no social distancing, parents sending students to school when they are sick, and all grade levels being notified of positive cases on campus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next board meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 14th at 5:00 PM.

Motion to adjourn meeting.

Motion by Renee Danielson and seconded by Richard Cooper

Final Resolution: Motion Passed

Yes: Richard Cooper, Renee Danielson, Bruce Forche, Josh Ruddick, and Allan Stockellburg

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM

Dated this 10th day of August 2021

The Governing Board of Tucson Country Day Charter School

Minutes taken by Board Secretary, Rachel Robertson