

Desert Sands Charter High School

Operated by Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc.

A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation

Date and Time

Monday March 1, 2021 at 4:00 PM PST

Location

Conference Line: (661) 249-6805 Code:525676

MEETING LOGISTICS

On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Executive Order allows state bodies covered by the Brown Act to hold public meetings via teleconferencing. The public is encouraged to participate in the meeting telephonically by dialing the conference line listed above and may submit written comments for prior consideration to the board members. Comments can be submitted to vmendoza@dschs.org. Public comment on the day of the meeting can also be given during the "Public Comment" section of the meeting agenda.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Please see the "Accommodations" notice below.

REMINDER

As required by state law (SB 126), this meeting will be audio recorded and posted on the charter school's website.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			4:00 PM
Opening Items			
A. Call the Meeting to Order			

B. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Members of the Board Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

- Michael R. Adams, Board President
- Ruth Escarcega Newell, Board Secretary
- Marvin D. Smith, Board Member
- Dana Clark, Board Member
- James Lott, Board Member

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Staff Introductions

At this time, staff members will be invited to state their names and titles.

E. Approve Agenda for the March 1, 2021, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors Vote

F. Approve Minutes of the November 30, 2020, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors Approve Minutes

Approve minutes for Operated by Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc. on November 30, 2020

G. Approve Minutes of the December 15, 2020, Special Public Meeting of the Board of Directors Approve Minutes

Approve minutes for Operated by Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc. Special Board Meeting on December 15, 2020

II. Consent Agenda

All items listed under consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and consistent with approved policies and practices of the Charter School. The Board will be asked to approve all of the consent agenda items by a single vote unless requested by a Board member to be discussed and considered for action separately.

A. Consent Agenda Items Vote

1. The Board will be asked to approve the revised Service Animal Policy.
2. The Board will be asked to approve the revised COVID-19 Plan for Resuming In-Person Instruction for the 2020-2021 School Year, an addendum to the school’s Health and Safety Plan.

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3.	The Board will be asked to approve the disposal of non-working and/or obsolete technology equipment.		
4.	The Board will be asked to approve the 2021-2022 Parent Student Handbook.		
5.	The Board will be asked to approve the revised Personalized Learning Policy.		
6.	The Board will be asked to approve the 2021-2022 School Calendar.		
7.	The Board will be asked to approve the School Accountability Report Card (SARC).		

III. Public Comment

A. Public Comment FYI

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not the item is on the agenda. If you would like to participate in public comment, you must have signed in before the commencement of the meeting. Also, our teleconference line is open to members of the public who wish to participate in public comment. The time allotted per presentation will not exceed three (3) minutes, except in the case where a member of the public utilizes a translator, in which case the time allotted will not exceed six (6) minutes. The total time allotted for public comments will not exceed eighteen (18) minutes per agenda item, or ten (10) minutes for non-agenda items. In accordance with the Brown Act, no action may occur at this time but it is the Board's prerogative to hold a brief discussion, provide information to the public, provide direction to staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting.

IV. School Reports and Information

A. Area Superintendent Update	FYI	Taera Childers
B. Finance Update	FYI	Guita Sharifi
C. Current Vendor List	FYI	Taera Childers
D. 2021-2022 Board Meeting Dates	FYI	Michael R Adams

V. Action Items

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A. The Board will be asked to approve the June 30, 2020, Annual Audit Report for the school.	Vote	Taera Childers	
B. The Board will be asked to approve the Second Interim Report and the Revised Budget for the 2020-2021 school year.	Vote	Guita Sharifi	
C. The Board will be asked to approve using the auditing firm Wilkinson, Hadley & King for the 2021 audit.	Vote	Guita Sharifi	
D. The Board will be asked to approve the E-Rate vendor selections.	Vote	Michele Simi	
E. The Board will be asked to approve the Charter Hardship Waiver Policy for students who are over-age, credit deficient and at risk for not graduating due to circumstances related to COVID-19. The Charter Hardship Waiver Policy will be applied to eligible seniors graduating in the 2020-2021 school year.	Vote	Taera Childers	

VI. Closed Session

A. Adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session. Vote

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code section §54956.9(d)(1).)

Name of Case: Milton vs. Desert Sands Public Charter, et al., San Bernardino Superior Court Case Number CIVDS1821125.

B. Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open Board meeting. Vote

C. Report of actions taken or any recommendations made in closed session, if any. FYI

VII. Additional Corporate Officers and Board Members' Observations and Comments.

A. Observations and Comments FYI

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Vote

Accommodations. Requests for disability-related modifications or accommodations, or translation services, in order to enable all individuals to participate in the Charter School’s open and public meetings shall be made by contacting Soliman Villapando at (661) 272-1225 at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled meeting.

Non-Discrimination. The Charter School prohibits discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying based on the actual or perceived characteristics of disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, national origin, ancestry, race or ethnicity, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, immigration status, potential or actual parental, family or marital status, age, or association with an individual who has any of the aforementioned characteristics, or any other basis protected by federal, state or local law.

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