

**ACERO CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**May 30, 2019, 8:00 AM
Acero Charter Schools, Inc.
209 W. Jackson, Suite 500
Chicago, Illinois 60606**

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Ms. Yeni Rojas; Mr. Kelwin Harris; Ms. Roxanne Matias (via telephone)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard L. Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer, Acero Schools; Araceli De La Cruz, General Counsel/Chief Administrative Officer, Acero Schools; Melinda McGinley, Manager of Policy and Protocol Compliance, Acero Schools.

Call to Order and Roll Call

At 8:10 a.m., Director Harris called the meeting of the Governance Committee to order. Roll call was taken by Ms. De La Cruz. Director Rojas, present; Director Matias, absent; Director Harris. With two Committee members in physical attendance, a quorum was established.

Participation via Telephone

Director Rojas moved, and Director Harris seconded, to allow for the participation of Director Matias via telephone pursuant to Section 7(a) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Consideration of Recommendation to Renew Board Member Terms

Director Matias shared with the committee that she contacted the following Board Members whose terms are set to expire in June of 2019; Yeni Rojas, Roxanne Matias and Marco Rodriguez. She stated that each indicated their willingness to continue serving on the Acero Schools Board of Directors. Discussion ensued. Director Rojas then made a motion to recommend to the full board that the terms of Directors Matias, Rojas and Rodriguez be renewed for a two year period expiring in June 2021. Director Harris seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Consideration of Recommended Slate of Board Officers

Director Matias indicated that in advance of the upcoming annual meeting, it was time for the Governance Committee to recommend a slate of Board Officers. She reviewed the current list of Officers and shared that all current Officers indicated to her their desire to continue serving in their respective roles. Discussion ensued and Director Harris made a motion to recommend the following slate of officers to the Board for election:

- Chairwoman - Yeni Rojas
- Vice Chair - Douglas Hewitt
- Treasurer - Simon Yohanan
- Secretary - Roxanne Matias

Director Rojas seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Consideration of Recommended Board Committee Assignments

Director Matias indicated that it was also time for the Governance Committee to review committee assignments, account for committee participation by all members, and ensure that each committee was comprised of members with the appropriate skill and expertise. Discussion ensued regarding each of the Acero Board committees. No action was taken.

Consideration of Recommended 2019-2020 Board Meeting Calendar

Ms. De La Cruz presented a recommended list of board meeting dates. The list accounted for the new charter agreement requirement that charter school boards hold at least six meetings annually. The following dates were presented: August 7, 2019, October 23, 2019, December 11, 2019, February 12, 2020, April 22, 2020 and June 24, 2020.

Director Harris made a motion to recommend the proposed board meeting dates to the full board for approval. Director Matias seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Consideration of Recommended Amendments to Acero's Internet Safety for Students Policy

Ms. De La Cruz presented Acero's Internet Safety for Students Policy. Suggested edits were reviewed and discussed including reference to other related Acero policies and relevant, governing state statutes. Director Rojas made a motion to recommend that the full Board adopt the revisions made to the policy. Director Harris seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Consideration of Recommended Amendments to Acero's Concussion Policy

This agenda item was deferred to a future Committee meeting date, no discussion was had and no action was taken.

Review and Discussion of Acero’s Suicide and Mental Health Issues Awareness and Prevention Policy

Ms. De La Cruz presented Acero’s Suicide and Mental Health Issues Awareness and Prevention Policy. She reviewed the minor suggested revisions, which included adding a link to the Suicide Ideation Response Action Plan. Discussion ensued.

Director Rojas made a motion to recommend that the full Board adopt the revisions made to the policy. Director Harris seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Update on Access to Board Training Materials and Policies

Ms. De La Cruz provided a brief update on the addition of board training materials to the board documents website. All board members will be provided with access. Discussion ensued and no action was taken.

Public Comment

The meeting was opened to public comment, and there was none.

Old/New Business

There was no old or new business to discuss.

Adjournment

Director Harris adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanne Matias
Board Secretary

Approved by Acero Board on June 26, 2019.