

**Santiago Middle School Charter Board  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 19, 2022**

The Santiago Middle School Charter Board met in person on January 19, 2022. Directors present at the meeting are noted with an "X".

X	Eric Jaime (Parent Rep)	X	Cathy Hunsberger (Certificated Rep)
X	John Besta (Chairperson/Community Rep)	X	Kelli Colbert (Parent Rep)
X	Jennifer Vaughan (Parent Rep)		Ruben Gonzalez (Parent Rep)
X	Lauren Salloum (Teacher Rep)	X	Sandra Snider (Certificate & Classified Rep)
X	Ashley Pedroza (Secretary/Curriculum Rep)	X	Ana Resendiz (Classified Rep)
X	H Hanson (Vice Chairperson/Teacher Rep)		District Representative: Ed Howard

An "\*" indicates directors who were not present for the entire meeting.

A meeting notice, together with an agenda packet, was provided to each director by December 6, 2021. On the same date, a meeting agenda – including date, time and place – was posted at the entrance to the school office, on the office bulletin board and on Santiago’s website.

1. **Call to order:** John Besta called the meeting to order on January 19 at 6:01p.
2. **Quorum was established.**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** led by Jim D’Agostino
4. **Motion to approve Agenda** by Kelly Colbert  
**Approved: YES, 9-0**

5. **Adjourn Open Session and Start Closed Session at 6:04p**
6. **Adjourn Closed Session and Start Open Session at 6:40p**
7. **Report on Closed Session:** Pending litigation with former student and update from legal council.
8. **Approval of Minutes: December 8, 2021**  
**Motion to approve** by Lauren Salloum  
**Approved: YES, 10-0**
9. **Public Comments: NA**  
**Board Comments: NA**
10. **Information/Discussion Items:**
  - a. **Principal's Report:**
    - i. Only been back in school a few weeks since break
    - ii. Holiday Baskets were distributed and we are so grateful for the community support for our families
    - iii. European trip was during the holiday break with 36 Santiago travelers - looking forward to the next international trip
    - iv. COVID outbreak for staff and students is a challenge. Great job Lauren for keeping us up to date on protocols that change so frequently. The staff has been so flexible and helpful in stepping up and providing coverage when needed. We have had between 15%-20% absent since returning.
    - v. There are projections that there will be more lenient IS rules and dialogue about a locked ADA if enrollment declines.
    - vi. We are working to build a program next year that will keep the school open until 6p. and provide an Expanded Learning Program.
    - vii. Independent Study - Short Term and Long Term Options available. Short-Term August: \$10,395 and Short-Term Sept: \$6655 recouped funds.
    - viii. Digital Marketing Firm will support starting next week. This will be targeted to certain areas and with certain programs.
    - ix. Postponed Open House and 6th Grade Visits for February.
    - x. Ed Kissee will be helping with some professional development for the staff.
    - xi. Conservatory Info Night was tonight and Mr. Hanson made a great commercial to advertise the program. This will be a very unique opportunity for our students and staff.
    - xii. Info Nights have been happening virtually and will continue throughout the next few months.
    - xiii. We are working on grant and award applications to submit.
    - xiv. Open House is rescheduled for February 8th.

xv. February 16, 2022 - East Orange Showcase at El Modena High School. We will have Santiago performers.

b. Department Presentation: Postponed to February.

## **8. Consent Items**

### **A. Purchase Orders:**

Approval of purchase orders 2715 through 2716 which have been processed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Charter Board and applicable legal requirements of the State of California.

Fiscal Impact: \$10,400.00

### **B. Warrants Lists:**

Approval of warrants 1775 through 1796 and 10026 through 10057 and electronic transfer which have been processed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Charter Board and applicable requirements of the State of California

Fiscal Impact: \$1,247,226.40

### **C. Personnel Report:**

Approval of personnel report.

Fiscal Impact: \$49,803.40

### **D. Gifts:**

Approval of gifts of equipment, educational materials and/or cash.

Fiscal Impact: NA

## **9. Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned by John Besta at 7:13p

Next meeting: February 16, 2022

Reviewed and edited by Ashley Pedroza

The Board of Directors has approved the foregoing minutes

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Ashley Pedroza, Secretary