# **ALTUS SCHOOLS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

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(A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation)

Wayland Myers – Chairman Chris Gordon - Member, Jim Herr – Member, Cristina Stevens - Member

## REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES Thursday, September 7, 2023, 1:00 p.m. Via Teleconference at

514 Via De La Valle, Suite 303, Solana Beach, CA 92075, 9655 Granite Ridge Road, Suite 100, San Diego, 92123, 4179 Middlesex Drive, San Diego, CA 92116, 15548 Firerock Lane, Moreno Valley, CA 92555

and at

North Carlsbad RC 3821 Plaza Drive Suite 401, Oceanside, 92056, South Carlsbad RC 6965 El Camino Real, Suite 202, Carlsbad, CA 92009, and Escondido RC 200 E. Via Rancho Parkway, Suite 143, Escondido, 92025, and Apple Valley RC 27130 Eucalyptus Avenue, Suite A, Moreno Valley, CA 92555, and El Cajon RC 111 Fletcher Parkway, El Cajon, 92020, La Mesa RC 5975 Severin Drive, La Mesa, 91942, Paradise Valley RC 123 Worthington Street, Suite 104, Spring Valley, 91977 and Main Street RC 16967 Main Street, Suite 108, Hesperia, CA 92345, Palm Desert RC 72840 Highway 111, Suite C103, Palm Desert, CA 92260, Topaz RC 14135 Main Street, Suite 201, Hesperia, CA 92345 and Bonita RC 3252 Bonita Road, Chula Vista, CA 91910, Chula Vista RC 1655 Broadway Street, Suite 13, Chula Vista, CA 91911, Otay Ranch RC 1392 E. Palomar Steet, Suite 202, Chula Vista, 91913, Plaza Bonita RC 3030 Plaza Bonita Road, Suite 1000, National City, 91950

Access to the live video conference was available prior to the start of the meeting at

Audeo II: <u>https://audeo2.com/board-and-governance/</u> Audeo III: <u>https://audeo3.com/board-and-governance/</u> Audeo Valley: <u>https://audeovalley.com/board-and-governance/</u> Mirus: <u>https://miruscharter.com/board-of-directors/</u> GSS: <u>https://grossmontsecondarycharter.com/board-and-governance/</u> SSS: <u>https://sweetwatersecondarycharter.com/board-and-governance/</u>

#### 1.0 OPEN SESSION

1.1 Call to Order

Myers called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

1.2 Roll Call

Members present at the meeting were Chris Gordon, Jim Herr, Wayland Myers, and Cristina Stevens.

Also in attendance: Lynne Alipio, Mary Bixby, Trevor Golledge, Angela Neri, Cathryn Rambo, Tim Tuter and General Counsel, Paul Minney of Young, Minney and Corr.

1.3 Establishment of Quorum

The following directors, constituting a quorum of the Board were present at the meeting: Chris Gordon, Jim Herr, Wayland Myers, and Cristina Stevens. It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Establishment of Quorum. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

1.4 Pledge of Allegiance

Myers led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 1.5 Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Gordon to Approve the Agenda. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

### 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment for items of interest to the public and within the scope of the Altus Schools Southern California Board (non-agenda) shall be no longer than two (2) minutes. Public comment for agenda items shall be no longer than three (3) minutes. Speakers may not yield their time. In meetings held over Zoom, any person who wishes to make a comment on either non-agenda or agenda items shall use the "Raise Hand" feature of Zoom to notify the Board. In accordance with the Brown Act, no discussion or action may occur at this time, but it is the Board's prerogative to respond or give direction to staff. All public comment will be heard at this point in the agenda as ordered below. Each agenda item being commented on will have a maximum of 20 minutes allotted and each non-agenda item will have a maximum of 10 minutes allotted. If necessary, the Board Chair may equivalently decrease the time for each speaker in order to stay within the allotted maximum.

- 2.1 Non-agenda Public Comment There were no comments from the public.
- 2.2 Agenda Items Public Comment There were no comments from the public.

### 3.0 CLOSED SESSION

The Closed Session convened at 1:07 p.m.

- 3.1 Board Chairman Announcement Regarding Closed Session Items
- **3.2** Public Comment on Closed Session Items There were no comments from the public.

### MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

- 3.2.1 Conference With Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation
  Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of Subdivision (d) of section 54956.9: (one case)
- 3.2.2 Public Employment

Title: Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer

3.2.3 Public Employment Title: Executive Director

### 4.0 RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:04 p.m.

4.1 Report out of action taken in closed session, if any. No actions taken at Closed Session.

#### 5.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

- 5.1 Acceptance of Laura Barreiro's Letter of Resignation Effective August 24, 2023 It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Herr to Accept Laura Barreiro's Letter of Resignation Effective August 24, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.
- 5.2 Approval of 2023 2024 Board Meeting Calendar Changes

Updated Board Meeting Dates 2023-2024
Thursday, September 7, 2023, 1:00 p.m. ( <i>No change</i> )
Thursday, December 7, 2023, 1:00 p.m. ( <i>No change</i> )
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 7, 2024, 2:00 p.m. (Special Board MeetingNo change)
Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 8:30 a.m. ( <i>No change</i> )

It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the 2023 - 2024 Board Meeting Calendar Changes.

Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

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- 5.3 Approval of Board Meeting Dates for Workshop Regarding Professional Development Training Including Best Practices in Charter Schools Board Management, Updates on The Charter Schools Act and a Review of Corporate Practices, Fiduciary Duties and Fiscal Oversight, the Brown Act and Conflict of Interest Laws
  - 5.3.1 Part I on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 10:30 am 12:30 pm

5.3.2 Part II on Monday, November 13, 2023, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Herr to Approve the Board Meeting Dates for Workshop Regarding Professional Development Training Including Best Practices in Charter Schools Board Management, Updates on The Charter Schools Act and a Review of Corporate Practices, Fiduciary Duties and Fiscal Oversight, the Brown Act and Conflict of Interest Laws. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

5.4 Approval of Amendment to Employment Agreement for Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer Chairman Myers reported that the consideration of approval of amendments to the employment agreements for the Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer, is solely limited to updating the position job title to better align with those job title utilized in the traditional school district setting. Specifically, the proposal is to change the title of the Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer to the Superintendent School Services and Founder., All other terms and conditions of these positions' employment agreement would remain the same. Chairman Myers recommends the Board to approve the amendments.

It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Amendment to Employment Agreement for Founder, President, and Chief Executive Officer title change to Superintendent School Services and Founder. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

5.5 Approval of Amendment to Employment Agreement for Executive Director

Chairman Myers reported that the consideration of approval of amendments to the employment agreements for the Executive Director, is solely limited to updating the position job title to better align with those job title utilized in the traditional school district setting. Specifically, the proposal is to change the title of the Executive Director to the Deputy Superintendent School Services. All other terms and conditions of the position's employment agreement would remain the same. Chairman Myers recommends the Board to approve the amendments.

It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Herr to Approve the Amendment to Employment Agreement for Executive Director title change to Deputy Superintendent School Services. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.

#### 5.6 President's Report

- 5.6.1 Altus Approach to Research Component
- 5.6.2 Altus Marketing and Community Outreach Presentation by Trevor Golledge

5.6.3 Altus University and Altus Pathways Advisory Council (APAC) Presentation by Cathryn Rambo It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Stevens to table Agenda 5.6 President's Report to a future meeting date.

Ayes - 4, Nays - 0, Absent - 0, Abstain - 0, Motion Approved.

5.7 Strategic Plan Update

5.7.1 School Productivity Indicators

- 5.7.1.1 Audeo Charter School II
  - 5.7.1.1.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023
  - 5.7.1.1.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023
- 5.7.1.2 Audeo Charter School III
  - 5.7.1.2.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023

- 5.7.1.2.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023.
- 5.7.1.3 Audeo Valley Charter School
  - 5.7.1.3.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023
  - 5.7.1.3.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023
- 5.7.1.4 Grossmont Secondary School
  - 5.7.1.4.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023
  - 5.7.1.4.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023
- 5.7.1.5 Mirus Secondary School
  - 5.7.1.5.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023
  - 5.7.1.5.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023
- 5.7.1.6 Sweetwater Secondary School
  - 5.7.1.6.1 School Participation Report for the Period of 2022- 2023 Months 12-13: 5/1/2023 – 6/23/2023
  - 5.7.1.6.2 School Participation Report for the Period of 2023- 2024 Month 1: 7/3/2023 – 7/28/2023

Tuter Reviewed the School Participation Reports with the Board.

### 6.0 ACTION ITEMS

### 6.1 Actions Items for Audeo Charter School II

- 6.1.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023 It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.
- 6.1.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.

#### 6.2 Actions Items for Audeo Charter School III

- 6.2.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023 It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Gordon to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.
- 6.2.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.

#### 6.3 Actions Items for Audeo Valley Charter School

6.3.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023 It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved. 6.3.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Herr to Approve the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.

#### 6.4 Actions Items for Grossmont Secondary School

- 6.4.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023 It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved
- 6.4.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Herr and seconded by Gordon to Approve the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.

### 6.5 Actions Items for Mirus Secondary School

- 6.5.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023 It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Gordon to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved
- 6.5.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Herr to Approve the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved.

#### 6.6 Actions Items for Sweetwater Secondary School

- 6.6.1 Approval of the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 June 30, 2023 It was moved by Herr and seconded by Stevens to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved
- 6.6.2 Approval of the Arts Music and Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant Plan It was moved by Stevens and seconded by Gordon to Approve the Unaudited Actuals FY July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 0, Motion Approved

### 7.0 BOARD COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

From time to time, the Board has topics of interest that they would like to share with the community. These are informational in nature and do not require action.

There were no comments.

#### 8.0 ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Gordon and seconded by Herr to adjourn the meeting at 2:31 p.m. Ayes -4, Nays -0, Absent -0, Abstain -0, Motion Approved.