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**Special Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**March 23, 2023**

# March 23, 2023, at 4:30 PM – Monthly Board Meeting

Based on recommended guidelines, we are taking all necessary steps to help contain the spread of the virus, COVID-19. A&M San Antonio Institute for School and Community Partnerships' Board meetings are open to the public but require face mask coverings and physical distancing.

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## Agenda

### 1. **Call Meeting to Order: 4:30 p.m.**

Director Olga Moucoulis called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m.

#### 1.A. **Roll Call**

- **Shannon Allen-Board of Director**
- **Leroy Vidales-Board of Director**
- **Hugo Hernandez-Board of Director- not present**
- **Olga Moucoulis-Board Chair**

#### **ISCP Staff present**

- **Dr. Henrietta Munoz, CEO, Institute for School & Community Partnerships**
- **Dr. Michelle Janysek, Deputy Director, Institute for School & Community Partnerships**
- **Betty Villegas- Administrative Associate, Institute for School & Community Partnerships**
- **Dr. Sonia Sanchez- Faculty-in-Residence, Winston Intermediate School of Excellence (WISE)**
- **Dr. Salma Boyd-Faculty-in-Residence, Gus Garcia University School (GUS)**
- **Grace Aguirre-Garcia – Consultant, Burleson School of Innovation and Education**
- **Ana Cantu – Winston Intermediate School of Excellence, Principal**
- **Sylvia Benavidez – Burleson School for Innovation and Education, 18+ Coordinator**

Board Chair Moucoulis conducted the roll call; she noted that a quorum was present.

### 1.B. **Pledge of Allegiance to US and Texas Flag:**

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Board Chair Moucoulis led the pledges to both the US and Texas Flags.

#### **1.C. Moment of Silence:**

Board Chair Moucoulis called for a moment of silence.

#### **2. Communication from Citizens:**

Board Chair Moucoulis asked ISCP CEO Muñoz if there were any communications from citizens; there was no communication from citizens.

*Shannon Allen made a motion to move ahead on the agenda to the Consent items. Leroy Vidales 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. A vote was called and all agreed.*

#### **3. CEO's Report:**

Executive Director, Dr. Henrietta Muñoz, welcomed all present and provided an update to the Board of Directors. She began by restating the Mission of the ISCP and introduced all ISCP Faculty and staff members. She noted that one of the faculty members will be changing and some other news as well.

- Dr. Munoz noted that the Director of Early Matters, Mark Larson, was unable to attend the meeting; therefore, although there was a PowerPoint presentation in the Board packet, that presentation would not be made during the meeting.
- Dr. Munoz shared information regarding several events in which students and/or ISCP staff had participated since the prior Board meeting. Exceptional Rodeo- participation by students; organized by Julie Riedel and Dr. Sonia Sanchez
- Burleson Blooms- Dr. Munoz shared the success of the sales at Valentine's Day; she also shared the news report that appeared on KSAT 12 news which resulted in a higher number of sales than anticipated.
- School Choice Fair- Sponsored by Charter Moms and Empower Families organizations. ISCP staff and faculty attended to recruit potential students.
- Visit to A&M-San Antonio Campus- all Gus Garcia University School students in grades 6-8 participated in a Pep Rally followed by a visit to the university.
- Mission Trail Rotary Grant- Dr. Munoz shared the "presentation" of a \$750. Grant awarded to the ISCP for work at the Mindfulness Art Garden at GUS.

#### **Fund Development**

Dr. Janysek provided an update on fund development efforts.

- **Whole Kids Garden Grant** – Grace Garcia submitted a proposal to request \$3,000.00 in funding to expand the gardens at Burleson. Pending consideration.

- **San Antonio Area Foundation** - Dr. Munoz submitted a proposal to assist in support of ISCP operations. This grant has no specified award amount as awards are determined by the Foundation. Pending consideration.
- **City of San Antonio Eco Scholars** – Dr. Janysek and Dr. Boyd are working on a proposal to develop an organic materials composting program that will align with and support the culinary arts program and Mindfulness Gardens at GUS. \$10,000.00. The application is due on April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **Gates Foundation/City Education Partners** – Co-application with CAST Schools. Initial total request \$1,620,000.00. ISCP Supplemental Request \$318,891.00 to expand/scale/study the CAST/ISCP embedded teacher residency model.

**Education Legislative Update** – Julie Grizzard from the Bexar County Education Coalition presented information regarding the current legislative session and provided updates on key players and the committees to which they were appointed. She noted an emphasis on school vouchers, education savings accounts, school safety, school finance, and a parent bill of rights. She provided information regarding key bills that were making progress in both the house and senate.

#### 4. Consent: (All items may be acted upon at the same time by the School Board)

Dr. Munoz provided a brief overview of all items on the consent agenda. Board Chair Moucoulis called for a motion to approve all the items on the consent agenda. The motion passed with no opposition.

- **Motion- 1<sup>st</sup>**- Mr. Vidales moved to approve items 4a, 4b, 4c and 4d on the consent agenda.
- **Motion- 2<sup>nd</sup>**- Ms. Allen seconded the motion.

4.A. Decision on the New Board of Directors Member for the ISCP

4.B. ISCP Quarterly Board Tracker

4.C. Decision on the Proposed Winston Intermediate School of Excellence Academic Calendar for 2023-2024

4.D. Decision for the ISCP to join the UP Partnership Future Ready Plan

#### 5. Information Items:

5.A. [Monthly Financials](#)

**6. Adjournment:** Board Chair Moucoulis called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A vote was called and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

- **Motion- 1<sup>st</sup>**-Mr. Vidales moved to adjourn the meeting.
- **Motion- 2<sup>nd</sup>**- Ms. Allen seconded the motion.

