

# Minutes

## The Meeting of the Online School of Arizona Board of Directors

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

6:00 pm MST

To be conducted via Zoom conference.

### Item 1: Call to Order / Roll Call

*The Board meeting for the Online School of Arizona was called to order by president, Erin Albert, at 6:07 MST*

Erin Albert *Present*

Laura Hatton *Present*

Paul Mendoza *Present*

### Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance

*The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Erin Albert, President*

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

### Item 3: Statement of Purpose

*The purpose of the meeting was read by Erin Albert, President*

"This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda."

### Item 4: Regular Business

- Approval of the Agenda:

*NextLvl CEO, Travis Gostinger, added to Item 5 of the agenda, board approval of the NextLvl contract, with the Board to serve as the school's management company. Motion by Erin Albert, seconded by Laura Hatton, the motion carried unanimously.*

- Public Comments on Agenda Items

*There were no public comments.*

- Correspondence

*There was no correspondence.*

- Approval of the Minutes

*Paul Mendoza*



*Meeting minutes of the January 27, 2021 OSA Board meeting were approved. Motioned by Erin Albert, seconded by Paul Mendoza, the motion carried unanimously.*

- Financial Reports

*There was no financial report.*

## **Item 5: Leadership Update**

- Management Company
  - Property search

*NextLvl's Robert Giordano, provided the board with an update on the Glendale and Tucson facilities. The Tucson site located at 7320 E Broadway Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85710 will be purchased by American Charter Development and leased to the OSA board. The Glendale building, located at the corner of Peoria Ave. and 51<sup>st</sup> Ave. will be leased by NextLvl and will serve as OSA's Phoenix location.*

- School leader interviews

*NextLvl's Tim Wood, provided the board with an update on the hiring of Hans Raymond to serve as the school leader in both the Glendale and Tucson locations. Hans is a Tucson resident, bilingual, former principal and assistant principal, and he has previously worked in charter schools. The NextLvl team reviewed multiple resumes, conducted six interviews and decided on Hans Raymond to serve as the OSA's school leader.*

- ACD contract and funding

*NextLvl's Travis Gostinger, provided the board with a term sheet outlining the key components of the American Charter Development agreement with the OSA board. A resolution to approve the ACD contract was made by Erin Albert and seconded by Paul Mendoza. The motion carried unanimously.*

- NextLvl contract with the OSA board to serve as the school's management company.  
*(This item was added to the agenda the night of the meeting on February 24, 2021.)*

*Attorney Doug McNeil outlined the changes made by the OSA Board's attorney, Kimberly Davis, to the NextLvl management contract. Attorney McNeil agreed with all the changes to the contract except one, which the board's attorney wanted to make the contract a one year agreement with an annual renewal. A one year contract would prevent NextLvl from obtaining necessary funds from ACD, as their practice is to loan money to stable organizations. Motioned by Erin Albert, seconded by Paul Mendoza, to approve the NextLvl contract, the motion carried unanimously.*

- Administrative Update
  - Tucson update

*OSA Executive Director, Mitch Horlick, updated the board on strategies used to begin enrolling students on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Mitch provided the board with information regarding changes to the OSA website, marketing efforts, and the use of social media in student recruitment.*

## **Item 6: Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items Item**

*There were no public comments on non-agenda items.*

## **7: Adjournment**

*A motion to adjourn the OSA board meeting was made by Erin Albert and seconded by Paul Mendoza. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting concluded at 6:39 pm MST.*

The next OSA board meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, March 24, 2021.

Minutes of all board meetings are available after approval by the board at:

- Online School of Arizona, Attn: Academy Director

Online School of Arizona has provided public notice of this meeting at its website as set forth above, all in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Arizona Open Meetings Act.

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