UNIVERSITY LABORATORY SCHOOL – HAWAII PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Minutes of the Governing Board Meeting Held on March 16, 2021 at 4:30PM
Virtual Meeting (via Google Meets)

PRESENT: Denise Yoshimori-Yamamoto, Edward Aquino, Everett Ohta, Preet Nijjar, Kara Suzuki, Aaron Levine, Melvina Nakao, Travis Palmeira, and Tina Keane. Also present is Principal Keoni Jeremiah.

GUESTS: PJ Foehr

ABSENT: Karen Yoshioka and Bradley Kai Fox.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chair Denise Yoshimori-Yamamoto at 4:35PM

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion to Approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2021 meeting was made by Melvina Nakao and seconded by Preet Nijjar. Minutes approved unanimously.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

I. ON-GOING AND NEW BUSINESS

A. COVID-19 Spring 2021 Plan: ULS Administration had multiple meetings with the University to answer questions and concerns by the University.

ULS will implement COVID-19 Spring 2021, blended learning plan which will minimize movement. University is supportive and has offered to provide some additional supplies to help ensure health and safety.

Opening is only approved for school and PE, there will be no athletic team practices on campus.

ULS will be implementing the following learning models:

1) Grades K through 5 will be on campus daily for in-person instruction.

2) Middle and high school students, Grades 6-12 will be on campus on a A/B two-day rotational blended learning model with two groups of 14 students per grade level receiving in-person instruction. Group A (A1 and A2) are on campus on Monday and Thursday only, and Group B (B1 and B2) are on campus on Tuesday and Friday only. On the days students are not on campus for in-person instruction, they are attending scheduled online Google Meet classes and completing online assignments provided by teachers. Music Classes and Electives will remain online.

The UH campus is still closed to the public meaning that our students are not allowed to be on the UH main campus. Our presence will be closely monitored therefore we need to be vigilant about following all of the rules and regulations set forth by UH. We need everyone’s help to ensure the safety of our students, faculty and staff while on campus.
In terms of athletics, ULS Athletics will be offering limited play for a select number of Varsity sports for Season 2. Sports that may be available for ULS students is based upon ILH approval, availability of Pac 5 or combo school teams and practice site availability.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, no school transportation will be offered this semester. Parents will be responsible for all drop offs and pickups at all practices, games and events. No spectators will be allowed at any practice, game or event for all Season 2 sports. Masks will be required to be worn at all practices, games and events.

There will be no breakfast or lunch service.

B. Executive Session – Reopening Plans. Stricken from Agenda as no Executive Session was had.

III. REPORTS

A. Treasurer’s Report: A copy of the Treasurer’s Report (Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet) for February 2021 was submitted online via email to all board members on March 16, 2021. No comments.

B. Principal’s Report: March 17, 2021 is the Admissions lottery for Kindergarten & 6th Grade. Letters of Intent for parents will be sent out to determine if current students are returning to determine the available spaces in all other grades.

Return to campus next week will be staggered next week allowing for two days of in-person attendance for Kindergarten – Grade 5, and one day of in-person attendance for Grades 6-12.

C. Committee Updates:

1. Finance Committee - No report other than Treasurer’s and Update Report.

2. Academic Committee (Aaron Levine) - Committee met to discuss the reopening plan. Will discuss testing results and academic performance framework at the next Board Meeting.

3. Human Resources (Edward Aquino) - Met on March 3, 2021 to discuss Principal Evaluation. Principal will submit his report for evaluation with the Evaluation Committee; also discussed consolidating the evaluation meeting and the pre-evaluation meeting for next year.

4. Governance Committee (Everett Ohta) - Met on March 2, 2021 to discuss the Board Evaluation instrument. Also discussed the upcoming Governing Board member election process.

NEXT MEETING: April 20, 2021
ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned with a motion by Preet Nijjar and seconded by Melvina Nakao at 531 PM. Motion carried unanimously.