

Discovery Academy of Science  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
Saturday, June 25th, 2022, 9am  
2817 St. Marks Dr. Dunedin FL 34698

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the agenda items Action Item
3. Approval of 04/09/2022 board meeting minutes - Link Action Item
4. Principal remarks - Link
5. Public remarks

**FACILITIES**

1. Nursery Campus Updates
2. Independent Traffic Impact Study by the City of Clearwater&Mead/Hunt- Link
3. Updates from Taylor M. Smith Project Manager

**FINANCE:**

1. Financial reports
2. Profit loss by April 2022 - Link
3. Balance sheet as of April 2022 - Link
4. Expenses by the vendor summary, July to April 2022 - Link

**HEALTH & SAFETY**

1. No new items were introduced.

**EDUCATION**

1. Spring 3rd grade FSA scores review - Link
2. 3rd grades only due to state grade promotion requirement
3. Staffing recommendations - LINK Action Item
4. Approval of the 2022-23 school year documents - Consent approval Action Item
5. Employee manual, 2022-23 - Link
6. Student parent handbook, 2022-23 -Link
7. Instructional handbook, 2022-23 -Link

**BOARD ADMINISTRATION**

1. High Performing Charter School Replication- Discovery Academy of Science - Dunedin Campus and Possible Pasco County Location
2. Principal Akbaba's Contract
3. Current salary study from national superintendent association -Link
4. Akbaba and President Demir communication about options - Link
5. Charter school director annual site visit report - Link
- 6.
7. Closure of the meeting. Saturday, September 3rd, 2022, at 9:00 am for the next board meeting tentatively. Action Item

Issues/ Items motioned and voted on by Governing Board Members:

1. The Board meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by Mr. Fatih Demir.
2. Approval of agenda items; Mr. Demir asked if any board member wanted to add an agenda item.  
 Motion: Approval of the agenda items as presented.  
 Second: Dr. Nazik  
 Vote: Yes-3  
 No-0
3. Approval of 04/09/2021 board meeting minutes  
 Board members reviewed the minutes.  
 Approval of previous board meeting minutes; Mr. Demir asked if any board members if there were any reviews. no reviews or changes proposed.  
 Motion: Approval of the meeting minutes as presented.  
 Second: Dr. Caliskan  
 Vote: Yes-3  
 No-0
4. Principal Akbaba Remarks: Mr. Akbaba had the following titled remarks at the meeting.  
 the main titles are as follows:

- We completed the 9th year of DAS with success and with 504 students enrolled.
- Enrollment update

a.

KG	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
82	67	62	64	49	71	76	62	54	587

b. The 2022-23 budget is planned for 546 students

c. **686** applications received as of Jun 25, 2022 for the 2022-23 school year.

- Our Middle School SeaPerch team visited Washington, D.C. on June 4th, where they competed in the International Competition. SeaPerch is an underwater marine robotics event sponsored by the US Navy. They competed against teams from all over the world. Out of 61 middle school teams from all over the world, they placed 12th on the mission course and 17th overall!
- Next school year's STEM team is Oceanography and Marine Science
- All state testing is completed with 100% participation
- Summer school started
  - a. 33 students are in attendance from grades K-8
  - b. Closing learning gaps due to COVID and increasing student achievement.
- Working on 100% CLEVER integration for the next school year.
- The summer schedule is active Mon-Thur 8:30 am to 2:30 pm for both campuses.

5. Public remarks: no comments were made by the public

## Facilities:

### 1. Nursery campus updates

Mr. Akbaba updated the board members about the traffic impact study report. TIS is completed which is fully aligned with the initial traffic impact study conducted by the school. TIS did not indicate any mitigation barrier on the project. Nursery Rd is a county jurisdiction road and US 19 is under FDOT jurisdiction.

Taylor M. Smith and Attorney Melissa Arnold answered board members' questions. Wes from Ziegler attended the meeting and board members discussed the possible access to additional funds due to the additional mitigations that the city of Clearwater dictates for the project. The actual cost of the additional traffic mitigation procedures will be calculated after the roadway plans are approved by Pinellas County as the official authorizes. The school will also be required to conduct a new TIS after two years of operation.

## Finance

### 1. Review of financial statements.

Mr. Akbaba presented the latest financial statements, and board members reviewed them. The year is still projected as a surplus. The campus project costs are still aligned with the budget figures. Additional ESSER funds are being utilized to mitigate learning losses for support-level students.

## Health and Safety

### 1. No new items were introduced.

## Education

1. Spring 3rd grade FSA scores review. Board members reviewed the ELA scores released.
2. Approval of the staffing recommendation for the 2022-23 school year
  - a. There are still empty spots that needs to be filled before the first day of the school year in August.
    - i. Motion: Approval of the board governance item-3
    - ii. Second: Dr. Demir
    - iii. Vote: Yes-3
      1. No-0

## BOARD GOVERNANCE

1. High performing charter school replication. DAS Dunedin Campus
  - a. DAS plans to open a new charter school campus in its current location after relocating to nursery rd.
2. Principal Akbaba's contract
  - a. Mr. Akbaba requested an amount for the annual salary with a benefits package. Board members discussed the figures presented by Mr. Akbaba.
    - i. Motion: Approval of Executive Director/Principal's contract for 2022-23 school year.
    - ii. Second: Dr. Demir
    - iii. Vote: Yes-3
      1. No-0
3. Charter school site visit document review

- a. There were no deficiencies reported during the visit. Over the 9 years, Mr. Akbaba had no deficiency reported in the school's site visits from Charter School office.
4. 2. Closure of the meeting. Board members agreed to meet on September 3rd at 9 am.

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Board Members

Fatih Demir,

Fethullah Caliskan,

Hazan Nazik