

AGENDA
Discovery Academy of Science
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
March 17, 2018 Minutes
2817 St. Marks Dr. Dunedin FL 34698
Saturday, 9:00 am

- 1- Call to order
- 2- Approval of the agenda items
- 3- Approval of 12/02/2017 board meeting minutes
- 4- Principal remarks
- 5- Public remarks
- 6- Procurement – Approval of contracts
 - Frontline Education contract approval – Teacher recruitment
- 7- Policy adoptions
 - Approval of after school care tuition policy
 - Approval of capital outlay spending policy
- 8- Discussion of HB-7069 and local discretionary millage funding.
- 9- Approval of Bank of America Business Checking Account for Local Discretionary Mileage funding.
- 10- Discussion and progression of principal evaluation for Mr. Akbaba
- 11- Discussion of DAS Expansion and 5-year growth plan
- 12- Discussion of financial reports.
- 13- Discussion of school safety measures.
- 14- Closure of the meeting with 2018 board meeting dates.
 - Saturday, June 2nd 9:00am

Additional Information
Discovery Academy of Science
Saturday, December 2, 2017, 9:00am

Derya Yildirim Agron Elmazi Fatih Demir Fethullah Caliskan

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

- 1. The Board meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Mr. Fatih Demir
- 2. Approval of agenda items
 - Motion: Approve agenda items Mr. Demir
 - Second: Mr. Elmazi
 - Vote: yes-4
No-0
- 3. Approval of last board meeting minutes
 - Motion Approval of December 2nd , 2017 board meeting minutes Dr. Yildirim
 - Second Mr. Demir
 - Vote Yes-4
No-0

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4. Principal remarks: Mr. Akbaba updated board member about the following items.

- Noetic math learning competition winners recognized. 2nd grade Carter McKay won the first place in the State of Florida and received national honor roll. 2- 7 grade advanced, gifted students participate this event each year at DAS.
- Re-enrollment forms were distributed. Forms were due by January 25th. Each family must fill out a re-enrollment form if they would like to continue at DAS.
- Winter MAP testing begun January 22nd. Results will be used for progress monitoring for all grades.
- 2018-19 school year application have begun.
- DAS received Florida School of Excellence title from FLDOE. There are 13 elementary schools in Pinellas County.
- FLL Robotics team competed at the regional competition Saturday, Jan 20th. Mrs. Bradbury coaches a team of 10 students.
- Fall fundraising yielded a mobile computer lab for the 5th grade classes.
- Several sessions of award ceremony was held at school, Jan 30th to Feb 2nd
- Science Olympiad team attended regional competition at HCC on Feb 3rd. The team received 1 gold medals, one silver medal and two bronze medals.
- NJHS started coin wars for school activity fundraising.
- Elementary school science Olympiad team started studies on Feb 10th for April 2018 competition in Lake Nona High School.
- Sea Perch Underwater Robotics Team went to regional finals in Naples. Team missed the international competition eligibility by one point.
- Parent teacher conferences held at both campus on March 13-15
- NJHS student attended state summit Wednesday, February 28th

5. Public remarks- no public remarks were made in this session.

6. Procurement – Approval of contracts for 2017-18 school year

- Frontline Education contract approval – Teacher recruitment

Board members reviewed the contracts.

Motion: Approve the agenda item-6 Dr. Yildirim
Second: Mr. Demir
Vote: yes-4
No-0

7. 7- Policy adoptions

- Approval of after school care tuition policy
- Approval of capital outlay spending policy

Board members reviewed the policies outlined above.

Motion: Approve the agenda item-7 Dr. Yildirim
Second: Mr. Demir
Vote: yes-4
No-0

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8. Discussion of HB-7069 and local discretionary millage funding.
Board members discussed the local discretionary funding and its possible effects on DAS expansion projects. High school expansion also discussed. Mr. Akbaba mentioned the possibility of not being able to continue with 9th grade due to space unavailability.
9. Approval of Bank of America Business Checking Account for Local Discretionary Mileage funding.
Mr. Demir and Mr. Akbaba opened a new checking account due to incoming funding for LDM funding. \$400,312 was deposited at the new Bank of America checking account. DAS already work with Bank of America for its banking needs.
Motion: Approve new Bank of America checking account.
Second: Mr. Demir
Vote: yes-4
No-0
10. Discussion and progression of principal evaluation for Mr. Akbaba
Dr. Caliskan briefed board member about the domain -1 evaluation of Principal Akbaba. His rating was highly effective and Dr. Caliskan will continue with domain-2 in the upcoming months.
11. Discussion DAS expansion and 5-year growth plan.
Mr. Akbaba met with building hope representative, Henrique Rojas and Angel DeLa Partilla. There are currently a few empty land options to consider in the 5 mile radius of the school. Board agrees that the campus for the expansion is preferred in 3-5 mile radius of existing locations.
12. Discussion of financial reports.
Board members discussed available financial reports for the month of June 2017. Board members do not foresee any financial stress for the fiscal year ending June 30th.
13. Discussion of school safety measures.
Board members discussed possible safety measures to be taken in both campuses.
Mr. Akbaba will plan accordingly. All legislative actions will be closely monitored.
14. Closure of the meeting.
Next board meeting will be at Saturday, June 2nd 2018 9:00 am
Meeting is adjourned 11:35am.

Board Members

Fatih Demir, Derya Yildirim, Fethullah Caliskan, Agron Elmazi