

**Hiawatha Academies
Meeting: Board of Directors**

Meeting Date	4/22/20
Location	Virtual
Called to order	4:05 PM
Adjourned	6:00 PM
Submitted by	Sara Boedecker-Johnston

Members Present	Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern
Members Absent	Linda Yang, Jason Brandenburg
Staff Present	Christine Reed, Franny Marino, Sara Boedecker-Johnston, Colette Owens
Guests Present	Pam Langseth, Robbie Soskin, Brett Studer

Agenda Item	Call to Order		
Discussion	None		
Motion	Motion to call the meeting to order		
Made by	Jon Schwartz	Seconded by	Jen Stern
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern, Robbie Soskin	Nay: None	Abstain: None
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Agenda		
Discussion	None		
Motion	Motion to approve the agenda with adjustments that include a vote to appoint Robbie Soskin and post open comments to website for 2 days		
Made by	Penny LePorte	Seconded by	Jon Schwartz
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern	Nay: None	Abstain: None
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Welcome		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome prospective board members Pam Langseth and Robbie Soskin - Opportunity for board members to share how they are doing during the pandemic 		
Motion	No motion needed		

Agenda Item	Consent Agenda		
Discussion	None		
Motion	Motion to approve the consent agenda		
Made by	Jon Schwartz	Seconded by	Alicia Muñoz
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern	Nay: None	Abstain: None
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Board Committee Updates
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governance: Focused on recruiting new members, Robbie has agreed to join the board today. Waiting on the governor's announcement about school closures for the rest of the year to determine if the election will be held electronically or delayed, planning for new board member onboarding. ● Family and Community Engagement: Alicia attended the Parent and Guardians Association planning meeting to learn more about their work and what is on the minds of our families. ● Development: No official update, but Margarita asks that all board members make a contribution by June 29th. You may use the website or send a check. ● Finance and Facilities: Supporting Colette and Christine in planning for the financial aspects of distance learning, access to federal relief grants, and preparing for the FY21 budget.
Motion	No motion needed
Action	No action needed

Agenda Item	Appointment of Robbie Soskin to the Board of Directors		
Discussion	Robbie is a UMN graduate and has been an active leader in business and schools in the community. He is a parent of three and grandparent of one, with another on the way. Robbie and his wife are owners of Yum Bakery. He brings previous charter school board leadership.		
Motion	Motion to appoint Robbie Soskin to the Board of Directors		
Made by	Jon Schwartz	Seconded by	Jerry Alcazar
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern	Nay: None	Abstain: None
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Posting Public Comments		
Discussion	The Board of Directors is committed to receiving public comments during the COVID-19 pandemic and the corresponding suspension of in-person public Board of Directors meetings. As part of this effort, the Board is inviting interested members of the public to submit written comments to the following email address by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, April 21st (hello@hiawathaacademies.org). Subject to the requirements that commenters exercise proper decorum and respect for individual student/employee privacy, the Board of Directors will assemble the written comments and make them available for review by the public via a link that will be placed on the website.		
Motion	Motion to post public comments to the website for 48 hours		
Made by	Penny LePorte	Seconded by	Jerry Alcazar
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern, Robbie Soskin	Nay: None	Abstain: None
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Network Updates		
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SY19-20 Dashboard: Progress to Network Goals shared through the end of February. ● Distance Learning: Colette shared elements of Hiawatha's distance learning plan and policies. ● Planning for SY20-21: Colette shared updates on hiring and adjusted plans for student orientation and staff PD in light of social distancing. Christine shared FY21 budget approach, financial realities, reasonable assumptions and unknowns. 		
Motion	No motion needed		
Action	No action needed		

Agenda Item	Adjourn		
Discussion	None		
Motion	Motion to adjourn		
Made by	Jon Schwartz	Seconded by	Alex Knoblock
Vote	Yea: Jerry Alcazar, Penny Le Porte, Alicia Muñoz, Alex Knockblock, Roberto Lazo, Margarita Dimas Cultu, Jon Schwartz, Jonathan Alvarez, Jen Stern, Robbie Soskin	Nay: None	Abstain: None