

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**ASCEND ACADEMY CHARTER HS**

**SPECIAL MEETING DATE: September 28, 2021**

**5251 Coconut Creek Parkway Margate, FL 33063**

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A special meeting has been called via phone conference to discuss and approve immediate issues regarding annual school audit and approval of previous meeting minutes.

Greg DuMont, as Chairman of the Governing Board, called the meeting to order at 1:15PM.

Roll call was taken with the following members on the call: Board Chair Greg DuMont, Board Members Cheryl Leonti and Sayra Hughes; Academic Director of ACA Vincent Alessi and Budget Manager of ACA Denise Garcia.

The Board Meeting was not open to the public. 2 agenda items were discussed (1) final approval of August 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting minutes and (2) Approval of annual financial audit.

**I. AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Ratification of August 10<sup>th</sup> 2021 Meeting Minutes**

**REQUESTED ACTION: Ratify items and actions taken from the last board meeting**

**EXHIBIT: August 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting and Agenda**

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND: Review, approval and comments.**

**DISCUSSION: Final Minutes of the aforementioned Board Meeting were circulated. With all Board Members having reviewed them and there being no comments, Mr. DuMont motioned for their approval, Ms. Leonti seconded and the motion was carried unanimously**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT: None**

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Approved   X  

Disapproved       

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**II. AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Review of final Audit draft and Mgmt. rep letter**

**REQUESTED ACTION: Review of completed Annual Financial Audit**

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND: Review any audit findings that need to be discussed and resolved.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT: None; Annual Audit is required by law. Cost is \$8,000 annually.**

**EXHIBIT: Annual Financial Audit**

**DISCUSSION: Mr. Alessi reviewed the major points of the audit and noted that there were no items of concern, as to controls or financial adjustment proposed by the auditors in connection with their work. Mr. DuMont noted that all financial statements and footnotes have been reviewed and all changes were discussed and/or resolved. Final approval will be given if there are no further comments from school leadership or the board. Mr. DuMont reiterated that there were no audit control findings, which was a positive outcome in support of financial and operational leadership, and integral support service providers. Mr. DuMont indicated that he would sign the management representation letter as he has done in prior years having reviewed the same, along with Mr. Alessi. There being no other comments from the board or managers present, Mr DuMont motioned that the Board approve the financial statements and associated audit report. Ms. Hughes seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.**

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**Approved**   X  

**Disapproved** \_\_\_\_\_

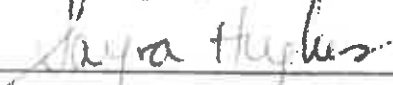
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With there being no other business before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 1:45PM.

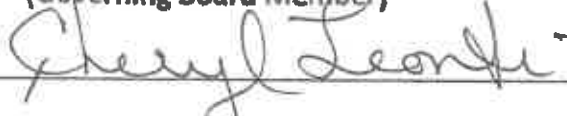
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