

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
**ARIZONA VIRTUAL ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) 38-431.02, notices is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Virtual Academy Governing Body members and to the general public that the Governing Body will hold a public meeting, open to the public as specified below. The Governing Body reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda. One or more members of the Governing Body may participate in the meeting by telephonic communications.

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03.A.2 and A.3, the Governing Body may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice concerning any item on the agenda or to review, to discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation by contacting Charles Woods 317-414-7824. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

DATED AND POSTED this **8th day of April 2021**



Mr. Charles A. Woods Jr  
Head of Schools

ARIZONA VIRTUAL ACADEMY  
**Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 11:00am**  
**Via Zoom Video Conferencing**  
Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/99178159780>  
Meeting ID: 991 7815 9780

5323 N. 99th Avenue, Suite 210  
Glendale, AZ 85305

**Agenda**

**A. Roll Call:** Celestine Fernandez gave the roll at 11AM

**Governing Board Members Present:** Dr. Celestino Fernandez, Dr. Mark Duplissis, Senator Linda Lopez

**Governing Board Members Absent:** None

**School Attendees:** Charles Woods Jr., Head of Schools; Brook Mosley-Schubert, Special Programs Director; Erica Cunningham, Director of Academics, Carla Shelton, Office Manager, Heather Pierson, Attorney at Law with Udall/Shumway

**Quorum Reached:** Celestine Fernandez completed roll call and called the meeting to order at 11:02AM.

## **B. Call to the Public**

Call to the Public - This is the time for the public to comment. Members of the Governing Body may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01.G., action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing school staff to study the matter, respond to any criticism, or schedule the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date.

**Public Attendees:** None

Dr. Celestino Fernandez asked if anyone from the public wanted to address the Governing Body. No member of the public addressed the Governing Body.

## **C. Review and adoption of March 4, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

Minutes sent to Governing Body to review in advance of the meeting. Celestine Fernandez asked if there were any questions or changes. No questions were posed. Motion to accept Minutes by Senator Linda Lopez and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Mark Duplissis. All Approved.

## **D. Executive Session**

### **E. Approval of Instruction to Attorney and/or Approval of Settlement Agreement (relating to Executive Session Agenda Item D)**

Linda Lopez moved to approve discussion in Executive Session; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Mark Duplissis. All approved

## **F. Head of School Updates**

Charles Woods Jr. gave an update of school Enrollment, Re-Registration, State Testing

Charles Woods Jr. – Testing update. Federal government did give the school a waiver for the 95% requirement for testing. But they are still holding the schools accountable to gather data. No major issues of any kind so far. The cost are higher for this testing season due to pandemic mitigation efforts

Dr. Celestine Fernandez: Are we enrolling for fall already?

Charles Woods Jr - Yes. Re-Reg is going well. We are on track to meeting our enrollment goals.

Dr. Mark Duplissis – questioned and talked about the following:

- When enrollment numbers go down is the district looking at teacher attrition
- Review 301 money for the changes that are happening. Concerned and that we should look out for this.
- Ideas regarding teacher incentives: salary increase for teachers of 3%; and when they meet goals for enrollment more incentive of 1%; Lots of money in the state. Majority of districts will be using the money in incentives and for staff retention.

## **G. Adjournment**

Dr. Celestine Fernandez motion to adjourn - 11:29AM