Albuquerque Bilingual Academy ABA GC Special Meeting Minutes for Virtual Meeting Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2022

Board Members Present	Julian Munoz, Doris Cole, Brenda Baca, Jose Garcia		
Absent	Melissa Trujeque		
Others in Attendance	Kyle Hunt, Danielle Miranda		
QUORUM	X YESNO		
Meeting called to order	Julian Munoz called the meeting to order at 5:53pm & Roll Call by Julian Munoz		
Item	Discussion	Action/Recommendation	
Approval of the	06/01/2022	Julian Munoz called for a motion	
Agenda	Discoving	to approve the agenda. Brenda Baca motioned Jose Garcia seconded -Julian Munoz called for a vote. GC approved unanimously by a vote of 4-0; 0 opposed; 0 abstained	
Special Issues Student Weight	Discussion Hunt: This is a basic weightlifting weiver liability that our athletic director found, it is a very	Action/Recommendation Julian Munoz called for a motion	
Student Weight Lifting Waiver and Policy	Hunt: This is a basic weightlifting waiver liability that our athletic director found; it is a very basic and direct waiver and release for all liability. We would plan to get this out to students and then have their parents sign them and that is basically for them to use our new gym equipment that we got in the training facility. A few things that this basically says is that we don't provide direct training or supervision of the equipment. Although, students would be technically under supervision; we'll only operate this as part of afterschool or to certain classes next year for physical education. So there would always be some indirect supervision but we don't provide the actual training or anything. Munoz: Ok, did we have Patty look at this yet? Hunt: I believe so; I believe Mr. Jones sent it to Patty. I wasn't in on that thread but me and him talked about it last week and as far as I know Patty didn't have concerns. Munoz: Did she have an email with that or did she just say we don't have any concerns or what? Hunt: I'd have to ask Mr. Jones for the email. But I wasn't in that direct correspondence.	to approve with conditions. Conditions being just with legal review and any legal updates or changes. Brenda Baca motioned Jose Garcia seconded -Julian Munoz called for a vote. GC approved unanimously by a vote of 4-0; 0 opposed; 0 abstained	
GL 1G V	Munoz: I think if we could just do a conditional approval based on whether or not we did get review from counsel. You know, if we did get a review and she had no problem with it then that would be fine.		
School Security Enhancements	Hunt: This is a very preliminary plan where we just started brainstorming in light of the recent tragedy. Munoz: I had a chance to look at this, Jose and Brenda did you guys look at this by any chance? Garcia: No, I did not. Baca: Yes. Munoz: You guys got kids in school and it's pretty comprehensive. It's sad that we have to have this and it kind of threw me off when you read some of the stuff that they're brainstorming about. I'd really like to hear your guys' feedback on it considering that you have kids that go to the school. Hunt: Definitely, yeah so a lot of these are just tentative ideas. We discussed the feasibility on some of options like the gun detective sensors or fully re-working the cameras and stuff because there are cameras that can identify faces and even guns; but those are huge expenses. We've been talking also about grants and restructuring other funds. But Chris and I do want to approve or start working on two very quick projects and that is possibly getting into a contract with IPS or another security service to either provide security guards at the school all the time or on a rotation basis with other schools. More signage, possible random metal detection days, and the biggest one is the installation of security fencing and us really wanting to secure our campus. We've been talking about a fence project all year and I think we're going to need to start pulling the trigger on looking for a vendor but every estimate and vendor I've talked to so far, we're looking at a 3 or 400,000 fence depending on if we try to fence in the acreage behind us or if we're stopping at the playground. The front fence does have to be rod iron or block or similar and then chain-link around the entire exterior as well. Munoz: So are you asking approval for the whole document or just those two items? Hunt: I don't even think we need an actual action on this item. I think Chris just wanted to bring it to you guys to kind of show you what we're brainstorming; we'll probably be bringing it to you at the next mee		

every time because that is standard for students. Whatever person comes into the school and happens then and they have detection. I think it is really good because the parents don't need to come with guns to the schools. So they got detection; I think it is excellent as protection. And The guard, no I think.

Baca: For me, I think the armed security is going to be good. But my concern is that if we're going to have armed security, we need to have armed security that stays that the school not that leaves the school. If we're going to have two security guards, one security guard has to be at the school at all times, you know? I think that should be one of our bases that we do have. Security gates that Kyle, Jones, and myself are looking into that; I'm helping Jones do that right now. We're doing all this stuff; I think what we're doing is working. Canceling big gatherings, I'm not really concerned with that. We have to let our kids live, but if we start taking things away from them, we're going back into something that's going to for Miranda to tell you as a social worker, but taking all this away from the kids, it's not fair. Be it that we're trying to protect our kids, so there's a catch 22 on everything too. I don't know? I just think that if we do the fencing and we did the security, I think we're doing a lot. I think we'll be ok personally as a parent. Garcia: Yeah, I think like she said the fencing and the security. I mean I don't really see a problem with there being armed security on the premises. I mean but I'm going to tell you the honest truth, I'm a concealed carry holder myself; sometime I do go onto the school carrying guns you know and that's just me, you know. But you know, if there is someone there. I don't know how we can secure it to where I mean kind of like how that parent went onto the campus; you know that last incident that we had. I think she probably just walked through the front door or however she did so. I don't know if we have a camera in the front of the building or in the entrance so that we can know everybody that's coming in. I'm sure all the other cameras we don't have to have if we're gated in and the security there and these cameras at the front; I think that'd be a start you know.

Munoz: No, it's sad that we even have to have this conversation.

<u>Garcia:</u> Yeah, it's like we have to start imprisoning our kids you know, just to keep them safe. <u>Munoz:</u> Yeah, it's like the gate, right? Just controlling the point of access. I guess that's my question Kyle, like if we were to gate the school itself, not the acreage, would that provide control points of access for entry and exit?

<u>Hunt:</u> Yes, I think that is our major concern as well. Because when we've had unwanted visitors, they're coming in from the backside, from that arroyo behind us because that is just opened to the back buildings. We've had, you know, unauthorized people just parking and even coming into the quad just through the gates because we don't actually have anyway to block that off and funnel them through the front desk and lobby. That is what these proposals would be looking at is blocking off that back area and then really funneling everyone in to the front office.

<u>Munoz:</u> Ok, yeah I mean it makes sense. Like I say, I don't have skin in the game; I don't have kids that go to school.

Garcia: The other thing I'd say real quickly is just I mean if we're going to a fence or a gate or something, can we do something that's maybe nice? So it doesn't look institutionalized, you know? I mean because our buildings are already kind of square institutionalized-like buildings and then we're going to go in and fence everything off.

Munoz: Maybe like a block a nice block fence, design or something.

<u>Baca:</u> Aren't we going to do rod iron in the front? So we could even put emblems of the school inside the rod iron; that'll look really nice.

<u>Hunt:</u> So we are in an architectural zone overlay, so we do have to have, at least the front fencing has to be a combination of rock and rod iron and then for cost measures we were going to do chain-link all around the backside.

<u>Munoz</u>: I mean, can you get a quote for block also just to see what the price difference is? If it's a big one then right obviously then we'll go with cost of effective method. But I think Jose has a valid concern is that we don't want the kids to feel like they're in a prison, right?

<u>Hunt:</u> Definitely, but I mean I would like to think but it's going to be harder for us to. We already have a lot of the chain-link kind of controlling the quad and so I'd rather almost us because we do have to figure out if we extend two storage buildings, the main parking lot is going to be a large amount of access. So possibly removing that chain-link and putting block.

<u>Munoz</u>: I mean definitely work within the confines of cost but at the same time I think I bet Jose is not going to be the only parent who doesn't want it to feel like a prison for my kid, right? So just kind of keep that overlying idea in mind. It is a valid concern. We're trying to bundle them up and everything and we're trying to go to school and they feel like they're going to juvie.

Garcia: How about metal detectors and stuff like that? I mean is that something?

<u>Hunt:</u> Yeah, so we're talking about metal detectors at a few of the buildings that way most kids get scanned periodically. Then we also talked about random metal detection days, similar to drugsniffing dog days.

Munoz: Oh man, that's bad dude. That's definitely juvie right there man.

<u>Hunt:</u> I definitely understand that point so yeah like I said this is very preliminary; people were just brainstorming any ideas that we had.

Munoz: And again, I don't have kids that go there right? You parents have to explain this to your kids, right like? I think this is where you would have a bigger say than what I would think as far

	as what Chris and Kyle should focus on because we're trying to protect them like Brenda said but we don't want to screw up their childhood either, you know? Garcia: Right. I mean, I wonder if we should have like I mean, who watches the cameras now? Hunt: That's the thing, we don't really have manpower to have anyone watch the cameras all the time. We talked about getting a live board or moving the one in Mr. Jones's office to kind put just in front that way anyone that's in that front office can see them. Garcia: It almost seems like the best thing to do would to try to do some kind of a security office. Get the cameras up on screens in there and have the security guard in there just watching the cameras all day and you have one walking the campus. You get two security guards and you know one is always watching cameras; so that if anyone comes on the campus they could always call up the other one and they can go check it out or something. If we're going to have two security guards, you know? If we're going to get into that, I mean why have security cameras if nobody is watching them, you know? Munoz: Yeah, if we alvid point, it's a valid point. It's like yeah we have security cameras and they recorded the guy getting on campus right? Garcia: Right. But there was nobody to see it and nobody to stop it. He is on camera. Munoz: Yeah, it's a valid point, it's a valid point. I mean yeah know, I don't budgetary-wise I don't know what? I mean there hasn't been any legislation to basically increase any type of funding for security at schools has there Kyle? Hunt: No, not yet. We're hoping to start seeing stuff or to start seeing them issue waivers of ESSER to restructure those funds to help with that. Me and Chris have talked about a few federal grants so we're going to apply to but you know nothing directly from the state of NM or anything issued to all HD's from the federal government. Munoz: Yeah, I mean because that would be my question as far as like maybe create some kind of kind of crunch out the numbers	
Closed Session	6/27 meeting. Time: 6:15pm Munoz: Mr. Hunt can you please stay on?	Julian Munoz called for a motion for ABA's Board of Education to Convene in Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, 10-15-1(H) (2) Limited personnel matter; head administrator evaluation. Brenda Baca motioned Jose Garcia seconded -Julian Munoz called for a vote. GC approved unanimously by a vote of 4-0; 0 opposed; 0
Reconvene to Open Session Action as Necessary from Closed Session (Discussion/Action)	Munoz: Roll Call- states that all members agree that the matters discussed in the Executive Session were only limited to those specified in the agenda.	abstained Reconvene to Open Session Julian Munoz called for a motion to send Chris Jones a contract as discussed in closed session. Brenda Baca motioned Jose Garcia seconded -Julian Munoz called for a vote. GC approved unanimously by a vote of 4-0; 0 opposed; 0 abstained
Head Administrator Report- – enrollment, staffing, site visit, upcoming events	Hunt: We don't have too much. I'll let you guys know that we actually cancelled all in-person events that we did have planned for next week that included a dance and the graduation ceremonies, kinder and 8th grade. We are moving them to zoom. That's because we just had some issues with people bringing too many guests at the Pre-K one and other items and stuff and it was going to get out of hand before we could get the safety measure that we wanted in place. Other than that, the enrollment, we're still looking great and we're continuing to get calls every day. We have made a few additional offers since the last meeting. We're mainly looking for two middle	

	school positions, Kinder Spanish, and 2 nd grade Spanish. We made a few offers and we're looking to finalize a plan within the next few weeks. As for the site visit, we covered that last time. It was the best site visit I had seen at the school. I don't know if that's because of how well we're doing or if that's a change in the CSD but it's awesome.	
Public Comment	N/A	
Announcement of Next GC Meeting	Next GC meeting: Monday, June 27, 2022; 5:30 pm	Julian Munoz asked for a motion to adjourn. Brenda Baca motioned
Adjourn	Meeting was adjourned	Julian Munoz seconded Julian Munoz called for a vote. GC approved unanimously by a vote of 4-0; 0 opposed; 0 abstained