

DISCOVERY EDUCATION SERVICES INC.,
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 16, 2020
5:30 pm
at Orlando Science Middle/High School (Virtual Meeting)

Schools:

Orlando Science Middle/High School
Orlando Science Elementary School
Seminole Science Charter School
Osceola Science Charter School

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the agenda items
3. Approval of meeting minutes of 05/14/2020
4. Public remarks

ACTION ITEMS

5. Request Approval of CSP grant applications of OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS
6. Request Approval of Mental Health Plans of OSS, OSES, OSCS, and SSCS
7. Request Approval of School Resource Officer Contracts of SSCS and OSCS
8. Request Approval of School Threat Assessment Policy OSCS and SSCS
9. Request Approval of Student Handbook of OSES and OSCS
10. Request Approval of the term sheet
11. Request Approval of 2020-21 School year Governing Board Meeting Dates

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- D01. Parent Survey results
- D02. Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS and OSCS
- D03. Executive Director Report

Closure of the meeting

Items discussed and voted by Governing Board Members:

- The board president Mr. Fortna, the board vice-president Mr. Sabuncu and board secretary Ms. Sharon, all dialed in to the meeting.

1) Call to order

- Mr. Fortna called the meeting to the order at 5:34 pm.

2) Approval of agenda items

- Mr. Fortna requested that item D02. Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS be moved to an action item. Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion to switch D02 Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS to an action item. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**
- Ms. Sharon moved the motion for approval of amended agenda items. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

3) Approval of Meeting Minutes- 05/14/2020

- Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion for Approval of Meeting Minutes- 05/14/2020. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

4) Public remarks

- There were no comments from the public.

ACTION ITEMS

5) Request Approval of CSP grant applications of OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS

- Ms. Sharon moved a motion for Approval of CSP grant applications of OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

6) Request Approval of Mental Health Plans of OSS, OSES, OSCS, and SSCS

- Ms. Sharon moved a motion for Approval of Mental Health Plans of OSS, OSES, OSCS, and SSCS. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

7) Request Approval of School Resource Officer Contracts of SSCS and OSCS.

- Ms. Sharon moved a motion for Approval of School Resource Officer Contracts of SSCS and OSCS. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

8) Request Approval of School Threat Assessment Policy of OSCS and SSCS

- Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion for Approval of the School Threat Assessment Policy of OSCS and SSCS. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

9) Request Approval of Student Handbook of OSES and OSCS

- Mr. Singleton presented an overview and outlined changes to the OSES Student Handbook. Mr. Cetin presented an overview and outlined changes to OSCS Student Handbook.
- Ms. Sharon moved a motion for Approval of the Student Handbook of OSES and OSCS. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

10) Request Approval of the term sheet

- The board discussed the purchasing and refinancing of properties. The process will move forward with a possible closing date in September.
- Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion for approval of the term sheet. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

11) Request Approval of 2020-21 School Year Governing Board Meeting Dates

- The board reviewed the upcoming Board Meeting dates.
 - 1) 7/30/2020 at 5:30 pm – Orlando Science Middle/High Lynx Campus
 - 2) 9/3/2020 at 5:30 pm – Seminole Science Charter School Campus
 - 3) 10/1/2020 at 5:30 pm – Osceola Science Charter School Campus
 - 4) 12/3/2020 at 5:30 pm – Orlando Science Middle/High Lynx Campus
 - 5) 2/4/2021 at 5:30 pm – Seminole Science Charter School Campus
 - 6) 4/8/2021 at 5:30 pm – Osceola Science Charter School Campus
 - 7) 5/27/2021 at 5:30 pm – Orlando Science Middle/High Lynx Campus
- Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion for approval of the 2020-21 School Year Governing Board Meeting Dates. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

12) (D02) Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS and OSCS

- After a discussion about Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS, Mr. Sabuncu moved a motion for approval of Reopening plans of OSS, OSES, SSCS, and OSCS. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D01. Parent Survey Results

- Dr. Akin presented the results of the parent surveys. Data suggests roughly 25-35% of parents want face to face learning, while the remaining prefer delayed opening or Virtual School. The board also discussed the executive order requiring face to face learning to begin in August.

D02. Reopening plans, OSS, OSES, SSCS and OPCS

- The principals of each school presented reopening plans. They each discussed learning plans, parent surveys, cleaning and safety measures, staff concerns, and plan submission deadlines.
- The board discussed all plans and agreed to move item to an action item in order to meet plan submission deadlines. (SEE ACTION ITEM 12)

D03. Executive Director Report

- Dr. Akin discussed the financial uncertainty and an impact the current pandemic has had on the school's future outlook. He highlighted that the pandemic might continue to increase operating costs and affect the financials of Discovery Education Services INC negatively. He mentioned that the enrollment might significantly decrease in the Fall due to the parents' preference to enroll their students in a virtual school. The board agreed it is necessary to closely monitor as the situation evolves, and work on contingency plans.

Closure of the meeting

- Mr. Fortna moved the motion for the closure of the meeting. Ms. Sharon seconded. **The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.**

Mr. David Fortna

Mr. Ibrahim Sabuncu

Ms. Sharon Akdeniz

Ms. Juanhua He

Ms. Shannon Littrell