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**Mission Statement:**

*Create a safe, positive environment that fosters intellectual curiosity and a thirst for discovery where students and staff succeed through exceptional programs*

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 at BANNING LEWIS RANCH ACADEMY at 6:00pm.

**1. Call to Order**

1.1. Krisell Creager-Lumpkins called to order at 6:07pm

**2. Roll Call**

2.1. Board Members: Deann Barnett, Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei, Heather Zambrano

**3. Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Reading of the Mission Statement**

**5. Approval of Agenda**

5.1. Matthew Pacheco motioned to approve the agenda, Todd Blum 2<sup>nd</sup>'d

5.2. Vote Yes: Deann Barnett, Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei

5.3. Vote No: None

5.4. Abstain: Heather Zambrano

5.5. Motion carries

**6. Discussion Items**

6.1. Consider eligibility of director to serve on board

6.1.1. Confirmed with bylaws at the beginning of this that Heather was eligible for participation and service on the board. Only thing in question is if she was ever an employee of D49 at some time in the past

6.1.2. Directing them as an employee but paying them as a contractor – as long as D49 did not give directive on the fine details (how, when, to do X) she is not an employee

6.1.3. Our BOD policy defines contractors as employees

6.1.4. We don't do investigations on applicants. The only concern in question was the contract with Accel – flushed out with Accel and our BOD policies to ensure there was no conflicts. This with D49 was 3 years ago and she was a contractor. Clearing up the policy now.

6.1.5. Contract with Accel was sent to BOD election committee, when reviewed, it did not meet the criteria for a conflict after review.

6.1.6. Over 3 years ago at this point

6.1.7. The resolution proposed, states that the BOD has the sole discretion to determine eligibility. It states that the payment that made was just shy of 3 years ago was to the company and not to Heather Zambrano herself. It also says even if she did not meet the criteria earlier, she does now and we are keeping her appointment.

## **7. Action Items**

7.1. Consider eligibility of director to serve on board

7.1.1. Matthew Pacheco to approve resolution as presented concerning eligibility of director to serve on board, Deann Barnett 2<sup>nd</sup>d

7.1.2. Discussion:

7.1.2.1. Clarification on section 2 – the two-month window we are waiving its application for this instance

7.1.2.2. Is there a standard when it comes to the year window for eligibility? Can discuss changes in the future but not now.

7.1.2.3. Concerns about future concerns that may impact the school

7.1.3. Vote Yes: Deann Barnett, Todd Blum, Krisell Creager-Lumpkins, Matthew Pacheco, Alexandra Tomei

7.1.4. Vote No:

7.1.5. Abstain: Heather Zambrano

7.1.6. Motion carries

8. Recess at 6:28pm

9. Recess ended at 6:31pm

## **10. Board Member Communication**

10.1. Concerns about presence of Scott Lewis on campus despite resigning from the board despite patently false allegations sent to the community, does not have a child at the school, and may be volunteering without going through proper training / processes to do so.

## **11. Adjournment**

11.1. Krisell Creager-Lumpkins adjourned at 6:41pm

**DATE: September 30, 2021**

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//Signed//

Alexandra Tomei, Secretary