

Alternatives in Action Board of Directors
Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors
March 8, 2016 • 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
(Fremont High School, 4610 Foothill Blvd., Oakland, CA 94601)

Board Members Present: Rita Trumbo, Patricia Murillo, Alex Salinsky, Justin Marcoux, Donna Fletcher, Joe Feldman, Nduka Nwankwo, Beatriz Rojas, Shady Shahid, Jay Ryder, Maria Choi

Advisory Board Members Present: Leslie Ryder

Board Members Absent: Ime Ekanem, April Angeles, Victor Ronquillo

Staff Members Present: Jane Sperling Wise, Alexandria Media, Oriana Obligacion, Roxanne Isaguirre, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Jessica Lorega (note taker)

Guests Present: Andrea Scuffos (Board candidate), Seenae Chong, Elias Diaz

1. Welcome! Call to Order; Approval of Agenda (Action/Activity) Meeting was called to order at 6:31pm.

Approval of Agenda with changes: Nduka motioned to approve the Agenda with changes

Seconded by: Beatriz

All in favor: Rita, Patricia, Alex, Ime, Justin, Donna, Joe, Nduka, Beatrice, Shady

No abstentions

2. Consent Calendar (Action)

- Resolution to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2016 Board of Director meeting
- Resolution to approve the revised AIAHS 2015-2016 Calendar
- Resolution to accept the Finance Committee recommendation to approve the 2nd Interim AIAHS Budget report to the Alameda Unified School District and the California Department of Education

Approval of Calendar: Nduka motioned to approve the calendar

Seconded by: Beatriz

All in favor: Rita, Patricia, Alex, Justin, Donna, Joe, Nduka, Beatriz, Shady, Maria

Abstentions: Jay

3. Public Comment

We welcome comments from the general public on non-agendized items.

No public comments.

4. Program Update: Fremont Community Program (Information/Discussion)

- Presentation attached

5. Early Childhood Education Center (Information/Discussion)

Background: In 1998 students developed a program to give parents respite care as part of their Community Impact Project (CIP). Within a week of opening there was a waitlist. It continued to be

popular and expanded into a full-time preschool. In 2014 the facilities moved from Alameda to East Oakland after losing the lease in Alameda; with the preschool temporarily closing while a new location was located. The goal of the ECEC is to include the needs of the student population (parenting teens), as well as articulating career pathways and providing support to families in the Seminary neighborhood. The Capital Campaign/funding was initially approved at 1.5 million in June 2014; broken into 3 phases.

- Phase 1: Included the moved of the High School to the facility at St. Bernard's Church, and all capital projects to bring the space in to compliance. It budget for the move and facility projects was \$300,000.
- Phase 2: Included addition of necessary capital improvements to make the high school more comfortable including adding in an HVAC system, security cameras for added safety, water fountains, etc. Phase two is considered completed when the ECEC infant/toddler facility is up and running.

HomeAide is paying for half the cost of the Center and requires a 50% match from the organization. In the past two week clarification of actual vs. projected numbers was received. The new budget for the ECEC project is \$641,000. The original timeline has shifted from August 2016 to June 2017.

A.S. – The soft impact of the ECEC is increasing the support for families in the Seminary community. The hard impact is funding flows through the ECEC and will be budget relieving after the initial break-even costs are reached (3-6 years).

J.M – When and what are the decision points for this project?

A Capital Campaign ECEC Task Force including the Executive Committee and Fund Development, and other interested parties will convene on Monday, April 12th from 6:30-8:00 pm to make a recommendation to the Board on the ECEC project timeline and funding. A Special Meeting of the Board is will called on April 19th to make a decision about the ECEC project and funding.

6. Finance Committee (Discussion/Action)

- 6.1 Recommendation by the Finance Committee to approve revisions to the 2015-2016 AIA Budget (budget and summary notes attached)

Discussion: Donations are projected to be the same as prior budget but Foundation/grant money has increased. Why has the projection not increased for donations? We have additional prospects for Foundation/grant money which increased our projection numbers.

Approval of revisions to 2015-2016 AIA Budget: Nduka motioned to approve the revisions

Seconded by: Jay

All in favor: Rita, Patricia, Alex, Justin, Donna, Joe, Nduka, Beatriz, Shady, Maria

No abstentions

7. Development Committee Report (Information)

Maria and Justin shared how they are incorporating fundraising/in-kind donations as part of their Board give-or-get. Maria is encouraging her network to make a birthday donation to AIA, and then will posts an inspirational message on Facebook as a thank you, tagging the person making the donation. Justin is participating in a work fundraiser. His karaoke group made AIA the charity receiving the donation.

8. Executive Committee Report

- Mention of the upcoming meetings, including the Capital Campaign ECEC Task Force (April 11, 2016) and proposed Special Meeting of the Board (April 19, 2016).

9. Board Comments on Non-Agendized Items

No comments.

Acknowledgements

10. Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 8:23 pm

Board Minutes approved by:

Alex Salinsky, Secretary

Date