

INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL, INC.

Board of Directors

Ileana Melian, President & Board Chair *(Present)*
Roger Pardo, Secretary *(Present)*
Corinne Pollini *(Present)*
Jose Ramon Purroy *(Present)*
Gabriel Cremades *(Present)*

Meeting of the Board of Directors February 17, 2021

In an effort to allow greater public participation and to best accommodate stakeholders, this meeting was held via communications media technology with physical access site at the school.

Minutes

1. Opening Exercises

- a. Meeting called to order
- b. Established a quorum

2. Public Comment

- a. There were no comments by the public.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes dated November 18, 2020.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to receive and file the financial statements for the period ending December 31, 2020.
- c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to authorize the Board Chair to submit any necessary charter school contract amendment requests by the March 1st deadline.

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Roger Pardo; second by Corinne Pollini; motion passed unanimously

4. Action & Discussion Items

- a. Principal Report *(Victor Rodriguez)*
 - i. Letter to AEFEE
 - ii. Security inspection by City of Miami PD and updates made
 - iii. Staffing update; down 2.5 teachers; lunch deficit
 - iv. Would like to install “roll-downs” around the lunch area to keep the rain out; received a quote 2 years ago for approx. \$14k; currently soliciting an updated quote.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board discussed and approved to apply for Corporate System Accreditation with Cognia.
Motion to approve by Roger Pardo; second by Corinne Pollini; motion passed unanimously
- c. Financial Report
 - i. Update on FEFP and ESSER funding (no action necessary)
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board discussed and approved the Revised 2020-2021 Annual Budget.
 1. Includes cost of roll-down awning discussed in the Principal Report.
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board discussed and approved to receive Title II funds on a reimbursement basis pursuant to Section 1002.33(17)(c), F.S. for all ISCHS, Inc. schools, effective the 2021-2022 school year, until further notice.

Motion to approve 4cii and 4d by Roger Pardo; second by Corinne Pollini; motion passed unanimously

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- e. ISCHS Broward
 - i. Update on new school opening; charter approval scheduled to occur in April; marketing; principal selection; Julio Robaina suggest that the Board authorize Academica and Principal Rodriguez to review Principal candidates and present final selections to the Board for approval; the board agrees. Principal Rodriguez would like to interview the existing staff of the current school.
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to authorize counsel to negotiate the contract with the district and the board chair to sign.
 - iii. Elisa Bueno from the Spanish Consulate addresses the Board with concerns to the trend in reduction of students in the ISP program; concerned that if the trend continues that they will have to remove the Spanish teacher in which they have provided. Discussed international recognized diplomas; need to know if the school is interested in these diplomas. Principal Rodriguez states that they are interested in the diploma. He addresses the reduction of students in not only the Spanish IS program, but all 3 IS programs. Due to changes in State curriculums and AP courses, more students are moving towards taking AP courses.
- f. French Foundation – Board Member Pardo informs the Board that the French Foundation has been formed; he is requesting Board approval to contact the French parents; Board Chair Melian states that she does not see a problem with it and suggests that Principal Rodriguez schedule a parent meeting.
- g. Other Items by Board Members, Staff, Consulates, or ESP

5. Notifications and Announcements

- a. Next Board Meeting: May 26th (an additional meeting may need to be called)

6. Adjourned Meeting

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is a Director and/or Officer of INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL, INC., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on May 26, 2021.