#### **NOVA ACADEMY**

Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes – October 22, 2020, 7:20 PM

Meeting Conducted via Teleconference

#### **CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 7:20 PM**

Board Chairman, Dr. Sanford Otsuji, called the meeting to order.

## **Members Present:**

Dr. Sanford Otsuji, Chairman Dr. Susan Garrett, Co-Chair Norm Lester, Secretary Karen Lester, Treasurer Rick Weir, Member Olga Duarte, Member

# **Members Not Present**

None

#### **Staff Present**

Renee Lancaster, Chief Executive Officer/Founder Alicia Lewis, Business Services Manager Angie Dillon, Executive Assistant

## **PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

None

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None

#### COVID-19 CONTROL PLAN / MODIFIED HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY 2020-2021 (REVISED)

For all staff members and students' safety and wellness, the COVID-19 Control Plan / Modified Health & Safety Policy 2020-2021 ("COVID-19 Policy") has added language mandating that all NOVA Academy staff members get tested for COVID-19. The school will also implement surveillance testing, with all staff receiving a COVID-19 test every two months, where twenty-five percent are tested every two weeks, or fifty percent every month. The update in the COVID-19 Policy is concurrent with students returning to campus for in-person instruction. NOVA Academy has arranged for mobile-testing units to provide the testing on-site, making it readily available and convenient.

Additionally, there is added text in the COVID-19 Policy indicating that the school will notify the County of Riverside Department of Public Health of confirmed cases of COVID-19 at the Coachella campus. The previous version of the COVID-19 Policy only included information for reporting to the Orange County Public Health Department of confirmed cases at the Santa Ana campus.

Board Members agreed with the policy update to provide COVID-19 testing for all staff members. They hope teachers and staff are appreciative of the school's commitment towards everyone's health and safety.

Dr. Susan Garrett motioned to approve the COVID-19 Control Plan / Modified Health & Safety Policy 2020-2021 (Revised) for both the Santa Ana and Coachella campuses. Norm Lester, Board Secretary, seconded the motion.

Motion: Dr. Susan Garrett

Second: Norm Lester

Vote	Yes	No	Abstain
S. Otsuji	X		
S. Garrett	X		
N. Lester	X		
K. Lester	X		
R. Weir	X		
O. Duarte	X		

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.

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Norm Lester