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Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

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October 20, 2022, at 11:45 AM – Monthly Board Meeting

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Agenda

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Director Moucoulis called the meeting to order at 11:46 a.m.

1.A. **Roll Call** – Director Moucoulis called roll. Board members present:

- **Olga Moucoulis- Board Chair**
- **Shannon Allen- Board Member**
- **Leroy Vidales- Board Member**
- **Hugo Hernandez- not present**
- **Paola Gonzales- not present**

ISCP Staff members present:

- **Dr. Henrietta Munoz- Chief Executive Officer**
- **Betty Villegas- Administrative Associate**
- **Michelle Janysek- Deputy Director**
- **Salma Boyd- Faculty-in-Residence, Gus Garcia University School (GUS)**
- **Sonia Sanchez- Faculty-in-Residence, Winston Intermediate School of Excellence (WISE)**
- **Julie Riedel- Faculty-in-Residence, Cast STEM, Cast LEAD**
- **Grace Aguirre Garcia- Consultant, Bureson School of Innovation and Education**

1.B. **Pledge of Allegiance to US and Texas Flag-** Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis, lead the pledge.

1.C. **Moment of Silence-** Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis, called for a moment of silence.

2. **Communication from Citizens:** Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis, noted that there were no communications from citizens.

3. **Chief Executive Officer:** Dr. Munoz provided an update regarding key events at the ISCP campuses.

- Dr. Munoz welcomed the new 18+ Coordinator at Burlleson, Ms. Sylvia Benavidez. She also provided details regarding Ms. Benavidez's transition from her prior position at Henry B. Gonzalez Elementary.
- Dr. Munoz shared information about recent visits to ISCP campuses. The ISCP hosted both the Mexican American School Board Association and The Empower Schools Network for panel discussion and tours at WISE. And the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce was hosted for a meeting at Burlleson.
- Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis, stated that she had attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting at Burlleson.
- Dr. Munoz shared that it was currently Hispanic Heritage Month and showed an image of the ASPIRE Hispanic Heritage banner and discussed the Vivian Los Niño's event that was hosted in partnership with A&M-SA at the university for the local community.

3.A. CAST Network Partner Campuses – Ms. Riedel provided the Board with an update on the ISCP partnership with the CAST Network.

- Ms. Riedel provided an update on the ISCP Partnership with the CAST Network. She shared the CAST vision to reinvent schooling to maximize options for students preparing them to be College Ready, Career Ready and Life Ready.
- Ms. Riedel discussed the benefits of a 2 year embedded residency program and noted the value of the extra time and coaching that students received.
- Ms. Riedel provided information regarding CAST STEM by Mentor Teachers- Kayla Cruz, and Mr. Patino, Cade Wood and Ms. Skidmore and Glenda Delacruz with Mr. Sleeter and noted that they are outstanding mentors for our A&M-SA pre-service teachers.
- Ms. Riedel also discussed the student-mentor pairing at CAST Lead. Student, Laura Riojas, Social Studies is mentored by Mr. Gibson, Ms. Riojas is a Clinical Teacher. Student, Kassandra Huerta 4th—8th Core Content is in Field Residency and being mentored by Mr. Sanchez the Biology teacher. The new principal is Ashland Pingue and the partnerships thus far has proved rewarding.
- Ms. Riedel also discussed the new partnership with CAST Med, which is also a bilingual campus. Student, Andrea Gallo, transferred from CAST STEM and is working with mentor, Mr. Neri.
- CAST STEM pre-service teacher, Kayla Cruz, represented students at a presentation to the First Mark Foundation as part of the CAST application for its 2ND High Impact Award.

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- Dr. Munoz mentioned shared that the idea of an SB1882 faculty-in-residence model was based in the work that Ms. Riedel had been doing as the professor-in-residence for the partnership with the CAST Network. She also discussed the expansion of the ISCP partnership with CAST that includes a focus on improving the teacher pipeline and expansion of the embedded teacher residency model.
 - Board Chair Olga Moucoulis stated that students don't want to be teachers and this is a great model to try and entice students to consider education as a profession. She cited the loss of teachers from the field and noted that even larger districts like Northside ISD were experiencing issues and still had 200 vacancies in October.

3.B. Fund Development – Dr. Michelle Janysek provided the Board with an update on current fund development efforts.

- Dr. Janysek provided information on two federal grants that had been written in collaboration with the United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County. The first was the Full Service Community Schools Grant (FSCS). The Building Resiliency, Inclusiveness, and Direction for all Generations in Edgewood Schools (BRIDGES) grant was submitted September 11th and represents a multi-agency partnership with 9 community and service organizations. If funded, this grant would provide a total of \$2.5 million dollars over 5 years and would bring to WISE and Burluson supportive and wrap-around services to the EISD community.
- Dr. Janysek also discussed the second federal grant proposal that had been submitted in collaboration with the United Way. This is the Promise Neighborhoods Grant (PN). She reminded the Board that the United Way had received this grant many years prior as the Eastside Promise Neighborhood. The new application, La Promesa del Westside, was submitted October 6th. La Promesa is also a multi-agency collaboration with a total of 10 partners. If funded, La Promesa, would provide a total of \$30 million dollars (plus a matching in-kind investment of \$30 million) over 5 years.
- Dr. Janysek discussed a possible application to Charity Ball Association and she provided an update on the Truist Grant (\$30k) that had been awarded to Burluson to plan for the implementation of Project SEARCH. She shared that the ISCP had met with Project Search national staff and with the CEO and President of Port SA for consideration as a work site. Port SA, if they agree to partner, was a local entity that could assist in providing a pathway to jobs with paid benefits and a livable wage. Port SA was especially interested in the possible alignment between the work done at the Cordelia Special t-shirt shop at Burluson and aircraft parts production and manufacturing that was occurring at Port SA.

5. **Consent: (All items may be acted upon at the same time by the School Board)** – Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis, introduced the consent agenda and called for a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A and B as listed. Leroy Vidales made the motion and Shannon Allen seconded the motion. Director Moucoulis called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

4.A. [ISCP MOU with Early Matters San Antonio](#)

4.B. [ISCP Employment Contract for Early Matters Officer](#)

5. Information Items: Dr. Munoz noted the presence of the Monthly Financial Report as an item for information only.

5.A. [Monthly Financials](#)

6. Adjournment – Board Chair, Olga Moucoulis asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shannon Allen made the motion to adjourn; Leroy Vidales seconded the motion. A vote was called and the motion passed unanimously. Director Moucoulis noted the time of adjournment at 12:20 p.m.