



# Daisy Education Corporation

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### MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF DAISY EDUCATION CORPORATION dba SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST AND SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY

The joint meeting of the Governing Boards of *Daisy Education Corporation dba Sonoran Science Academy Davis-Monthan, Sonoran Science Academy-East and Sonoran Science Academy* was held *ONLINE* on *October 12, 2022* at 6:00 p.m. A link to the Zoom meeting was published in the notice/agenda, enabling any member of the public to join the meeting.

The following matters were discussed, considered and/or decided at the meeting. Items that were applicable to all of the schools are indicated with “**ALL**” following the agenda items; items that are applicable to fewer than all of the schools will include the name of the school or schools to which they are applicable in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS** following the agenda item.

#### I. **Call to order—ALL**

The joint meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

#### II. **Roll Call—ALL**

The following members of the governing boards of each of the schools were present:

- Mrs. Becky Kirkpatrick, Vice Chair
- Ms. Lesly Baca Ruiz
- Dr. Abdullah Yilmaz

The following members of the governing boards of each of the schools were absent:

- Mrs. Linda Lopez, Chair

#### III. **Call to the Public—ALL**

*Board Vice Chair Mrs. Kirkpatrick* asked if any members of the public wished to address the Boards. No members of the public responded.

#### IV. **Approval of Minutes—Action Items**

- Approval of Minutes of June 22, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN**  
*Ms. Baca Ruiz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Dr. Yilmaz* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

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- Approval of Minutes of June 22, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST**  
*Dr. Yilmaz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Ms. Baca Ruiz* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*
- Approval of Minutes of June 22, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY**  
*Dr. Yilmaz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Ms. Baca Ruiz* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*
- Approval of Minutes of July 6, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN**  
*Ms. Baca Ruiz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous with *Dr. Yilmaz* abstaining as he was not present at the July meeting. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye.*
- Approval of Minutes of July 6, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST**  
*Ms. Baca Ruiz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous with *Dr. Yilmaz* abstaining as he was not present at the July meeting. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye.*
- Approval of Minutes of July 6, 2022 Meeting—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY**  
*Ms. Baca Ruiz* motioned to approve the minutes, as presented. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick* seconded. The motion to approve was unanimous with *Dr. Yilmaz* abstaining as he was not present at the July meeting. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye.*

### V. Financial Report—Discussion only

- *Mr. Andrew Phelan*, Director of Accounting and Finance (DAF), presented:
  - 1) Daisy Education Corporation Financial Report, August 2022—**ALL**

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked the Director of Accounting and Finance for his report.

### VI. Approval of the FY22 Annual Financial Reports—Action Item

- *Mr. Andrew Phelan*, Director of Accounting and Finance (DAF), requested that the following Annual Financial Reports be accepted by the Boards:
  - 1) FY22 Annual Financial Report—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN**  
*Ms. Baca Ruiz* motioned to accept the FY22 Annual Financial Report for Sonoran Science Academy Davis-Monthan. *Dr. Yilmaz* seconded the motion. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

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- 2) FY22 Annual Financial Report—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST**  
*Dr. Yilmaz* motioned to accept the FY22 Annual Financial Report for Sonoran Science Academy-East. *Ms. Baca Ruiz* seconded the motion. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*
- 3) FY22 Annual Financial Report—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY**  
*Dr. Yilmaz* motioned to accept the FY22 Annual Financial Report for Sonoran Science Academy. *Ms. Baca Ruiz* seconded the motion. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

### VII. Summary of Current Events—Discussion Only

- *Mr. Fatih Karatas*, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), reported to the Board on the following items:
    - Strategic Plan—**ALL**  
As the Board is aware, work began on the Strategic Plan in 2018 and the Plan was adopted in July 2019. COVID interrupted working towards our Strategic Plan goals. When we recently revisited the plan, we found areas that needed updating and decided to align our Strategic Plan goals with Cognia accreditation standards. The Board received the document in their packet that highlights the proposed changes and identifies each goal's alignment to the Cognia standards. The revised Strategic Plan will be finalized in the next couple of months.
    - Cognia Accreditation—**ALL**  
As the Board is also aware, Sonoran Schools has a systems accreditation with what is now Cognia (which was AdvancED at the time of the systems accreditation). Due to this change of ownership and the impact of COVID, Cognia has a backlog of work and has therefore pushed our accreditation renewal out by two years. We will be using that time to align our processes and our Strategic Plan with Cognia's assessments and standards.
    - ASBCS Financial & Operation Performance Dashboards—**ALL**  
Annually, we share the ASBCS dashboard updates with you. As you are aware, due to COVID, the academic dashboard has not been updated for the past two years. However, the financial dashboard and the operations dashboard for all schools have been updated. The current financial and operation dashboards for all our Tucson schools show our schools in good standing, in all measured criteria.
    - Charter Renewal Application—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN**  
The charter contract for SSA Davis-Monthan expires in 2024, with the renewal application due to ASBCS by March 2023. It is our intent to submit the renewal application by December 2022 and staff have begun work on the documentation.
- The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked the CEO for his report.

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- *Dr. Adnan Doyuran*, Chief Academic Officer (CAO), reported to the Board on the following items:
  - **State Test Results Update—ALL**  
A ppt. presentation was made to the Boards (document on file in Board records) that provided an overview of each school's performance (proficiency and student growth percentile) on the Spring Arizona's Academics Standards Assessment (AASA).
  - **Beyond Textbooks Implementation—ALL**  
The Beyond textbooks software aligns our processes to Standards-Based Instruction. Implementation is going very well. Teachers are still teaching all standards in a subject but are focusing on essential standards. Students who do not master the essential standards receive re-teaching support until mastery is achieved. Students who master these standards receive enrichment.
  - **Performance Matters Implementation—ALL**  
This software enables us to house multiple data, from external and internal sources, in one platform. It gives schools a comprehensive view of a student's school experience and will support our goal of moving to Standards-Based grading next year.
  - **AVID Implementation—ALL**  
AVID is an excellent, comprehensive K-12 college-prep program that improves student ownership of their learning and collaboration among students. At its core is WICOR, which stands for Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading. In addition, AVID elective classes in middle and high school specifically focus on college readiness.  
50 administrators and teachers attended the AVID Summer Institute in Dallas. In December, another large group of teachers will be trained in AVID. AVID has been implemented at all our schools, at some level, and we are working toward full implementation at all our schools by the start of the next school year.
  - **Accreditation Update and Preparation Plan—ALL**  
As Mr. Karatas mentioned, our Cognia accreditation renewal has been pushed out and we will be using the additional time to better align our processes and systems with Cognia's assessment rubrics (e.g. Cognia uses Effective Learning Environments Observation Tool (ELEOT) for teacher observations while we use Charlotte Danielson). We have created a Cognia Accreditation Committee and that committee will be creating an action plan for schools and the central office to follow.

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked the CAO for his report.

- *Mr. Joshua De Weerd*, Principal, **SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY TUCSON K-5**, reported to the Board on the following items:

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- I am very pleased to make my first Board report to you and want to start by saying what an amazing school SSA-Tucson elementary is. Staff are phenomenal and parents are some of the best I've worked with. I'd also like to thank everyone at the Central Office who has helped make such a smooth transition and I'd like to invite each of you to come and visit our school and see what our students are learning and accomplishing.
- We currently have 300 students at Tucson Elementary and have continued to see new enrollment throughout the first months of the school year. Like all schools, post-pandemic, we are also seeing some students leave us during the school year although I am pleased to report that number is very small and the reasons have been mostly because of personal circumstances, like moving house.
- **In staffing news**, I am pleased and thankful to report that we are fully staffed. We have three new classroom teachers this year - one kinder, one 1st grade, and one 4th grade - and we are working with those teachers to make sure they have all the support and tools they need to be successful through our Mentoring program.
- We also have a new Response to Intervention Specialist, whose sole purpose is to work with our teachers to help identify and work with our students that need just a bit more support in the areas of Math and Reading.
- In addition, as you know, we have a new Principal and a new Vice Principal - Allison Robb. Ms. Robb has been with SSA for a number of years so, although the admin team is new, Ms. Robb's institutional knowledge means we hit the ground running and I believe we are meeting the needs and expectations of our staff and parents well at this time.
- I also just want to acknowledge how hard the teachers and support staff are working to support our students every single day. I appreciate everything they do.
- **Some of our highlights so far this school year that I'd like to share with you:**
  - We have new playground equipment, a new flagpole, and two Peace Poles, generously donated by Oro Valley Rotary, who came out last month to see everything in place.
  - We have received a \$7,000 Math STEM Grant towards Spatial Temporal Math-Non Language based resource that is an MTSS Tier II intervention for enrichment and reteaching. Having this STEM-based resource will help all students grow in Math through critical thinking, problem solving, and positive collaborative learning.
  - SSA Fall Festival is back this year! On October 28, from 5-9, we will have games/food/prizes for our families!

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- SSA Scholastic Book Fair is running this week, in conjunction with Parent Teacher Conferences this coming Friday.
- **In Safety updates:**
  - We rekeyed the campus for the start of the new school year.
  - A new camera system has been installed and is in use.
- **Clubs/Tutoring:**
  - All Clubs/Tutoring are up and running.
  - I am thrilled to share that we have 17 STEM-related clubs.
  - Student Council – students have applied for, and are now campaigning for, student positions. The goal of council members is to improve our school through the student lens.
- **Fundraising:** The School Store fundraiser has raised \$13,589.31 for our teachers to help with classroom supplies so far this year - our parental support, especially in these challenging times, is outstanding.
- **Character Strong/PBIS implementation:** As you know, our PBIS program recognizes our students for positive behavior choices. This year, we are recognizing an “Eagle of the Month” student from every class. We also have monthly assemblies to recognize students who display PBIS skills and character traits. In addition, our “Lunch Champs” program recognizes students who exhibit appropriate character traits and behavior during lunchtime that week.
- **Competitions:** We are so eager to get these up and running this year. So far we have scheduled and are competing in the following:
  - Noetic Math Competition - November
  - Spelling Bee - January
  - Science Fair and SARSEF - February

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked Mr. De Weerd for his report.

- *Dr. James Francis*, Principal, **SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY TUCSON 6-12**, reported to the Board on the following items:
  - **Enrollment:** Enrollment at SSA Tucson continues to remain consistent and is in a positive growth stage. As of current enrollment, SSA Tucson Middle High has 440 students.
  - **Staffing:** SSA-Tucson currently has a full campus. We are waiting for an extremely qualified math teacher, who is coming from another country, to join us, but we have a highly qualified long-term math substitute in the classroom. We also currently have one teacher out on maternity leave who should be returning in the next few weeks.
  - **Academics:** We are currently beginning teacher evaluations and anticipate being finished within the next few weeks. Test results came back for a variety

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of styles of assessments, and although the results show that we are statistically lower than previous years, we are currently exceeding state expectations in most subject and grade areas.

- **Achievements:** One major achievement from our school comes from one of our High School English teachers, Mrs. Lisa Watson. She was recently published in the National Council for Teachers of English publication, received a scholarship to attend the national conference, and has also been asked to serve on the National Council for Teachers of English ELATE Council!
- **Parent Involvement:** We have begun opening opportunities for parent involvement at the school. We have a variety of field trips with parent volunteers as chaperones. We also have multiple parents serving at the school as substitute teachers. In addition, in alignment with the new state laws regarding observations, we have begun scheduling parent classroom observations within our classes. Thus far, all observations have been a resounding success.
- **Community/Outreach:** Since COVID, our school has been working to rebuild and re-imagine the CRUSH 1011 robotics program. Part of this program is to partner with local businesses and initiatives, including companies such as Raytheon. The robotics lead, teacher Marissa Dellomo, has been working hard with this year's team to prepare them for competition in the Spring Semester.
- We have also begun increased collaboration and cooperation with the elementary school. Many of our high school students have begun volunteering at the elementary school, and we are excited to continue and grow this partnership of our K-12 campus.
- **Extracurriculars:** Our extracurricular activities are back in full swing, with a variety of clubs and activities, from sports to art club to robotics. We also continue to offer free tutoring to students in all subject areas both during and after school.
- **Fundraising:** We have just started a partnership with Children's Care Arizona and have begun to advertise. Children's Care Arizona collects donations as well as tax credits that can be designated to a particular school. Through their program, we have access to additional funding to help support low-income families and school programs.
- **Safety and security:** The final installation of the new Spot.ai cameras has just been completed. We have been utilizing the technology since this summer and just received upgraded cameras over the fall break. This program has multiple benefits, not only being a cloud based support system, but also having the ability to give immediate access to law enforcement should the need occur.
- We will also be meeting with various local and state law enforcement officers, in conjunction with Sonoran Schools' COO and Director of Student Conduct and Safety, to conduct threat assessments of our campus. This assessment will

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help identify any additional areas where we can bolster and support security and safety initiatives across campus.

- **Mental Health First Aid:** Our initiatives have had a tremendous impact. SSA has a staff member who also serves as the organization-wide mental health first aid trainer. Without disclosing details, I can confidently say that this training has aided not only in identifying students who need assistance, but has likely saved several lives, and has aided multiple families in seeking out assistance and support for their child.

In closing, to echo Mr. De Weerd, I would like to cordially invite you to visit our school.

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked Dr. Francis for his report.

- *Dr. Kaitlin Lira*, Principal, **SONORAN VIRTUAL ACADEMY**, reported to the Board on the following items:
  - We have had a smooth start to the school year. As Mr. Phelan mentioned, we transitioned from K-12 into a smaller K-8 school with 70 students. Our elementary school currently has 40 students enrolled and our middle school has 30 students enrolled.
  - Our staff number this year is 12 teachers total, 3 who are part time in middle school. We added a full time math interventionist this year who works with struggling students in grades 3-8. She also offers push-in co-teaching support for teachers who struggle in math instruction, so not only is she working to support students, but also supports teacher growth. I do anticipate that this addition will result in stronger math growth for our students who historically have struggled with math performance. Our 7th and 8th graders are receiving the heaviest math support, as they are the grade levels that tested lowest in math at the start of the school year. We have already seen the results of the double blocking of math, as these students have consistently passed their formative math assessments in their core, grade-level math course.
  - We have launched AVID this year to support college and career readiness. While teachers and students in all grade levels are impacted by the AVID framework, all of our 6th graders are taking the AVID elective class where they are learning Focused Notes, Online Binder Organization, Collaborative Tutorials, and Asking strong questions. We anticipate that this additional support will result in stronger academic growth and better class pass rates during the difficult 6th grade transition year. Students in grades 4-8 are also using paper planners to learn organization and responsibility for their schoolwork.
  - We have also worked hard on our SEL (social emotional learning) program, using Character Strong in all grade levels during homeroom. Teachers report

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that not only does the curriculum help build SEL skills, but also it is contributing to stronger grade level relationships and trust among the students.

- We also started our PBIS work this year by choosing our school core values - Persistent, Responsible, Innovative, and Mindful. At our monthly elementary and middle school assemblies, we recognize students who have earned Core Value Awards in addition to grade level Students of the Month.
- Lastly, we have been working to develop a stronger STEM culture with more hands on learning opportunities from home. All students participate in STEM Fridays, where they are able to engage in a hands-on, STEM-related activity or science project. For the first time, all of our students in grades 2-8 will participate in the Noetic Math Competition. We are also exploring the possibility of entering student projects into the SARSEF Fair.

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked Dr. Lira for her report.

- *Mr. Kemal Aksoy*, Dean of Academics, **SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST**, reported to the Board on the following items:
  - Current enrollment is 466
  - The school is currently fully staffed with the recent additions of a new ESS paraprofessional and a long-term substitute teacher for a 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom.
  - In academics, Parent-Teacher conferences were held before fall break. We have received our state achievement data, for proficiency and growth, and are excited that the growth data looks positive. In the upcoming weeks, the state will determine school letter grades and we are optimistic that our current grade will improve.
  - The school is pleased to be offering more than 20 clubs this year, including robotics for students in grades 4 through 8; participation in *MathLeague* competitions for middle school students; and cheerleading for middle school students.
  - In the area of community relations and partnerships, the school recently hosted members of the University of Arizona's football team and volleyball team, who came out and trained with our athletes.
  - The school will welcome City of Tucson/Tucson Water Environmental Education Exchange guest speakers who will speak to students about Tucson's water – its sources, the current water situation, water use, and water conservation.
  - Our partnership with Casa De Los Niños continues. Students have the opportunity to participate in six-week social groups on campus. Stronger Kids is an organization that is also available to students at each grade level and the opportunity extends, off campus, to parents as well.
  - Last, but not least, we are very blessed to have a very active and support Parent-Teacher Organization. They are constantly holding fundraisers

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(lemonade stand; boo-grams; dress down day; hot chocolate stand; candy cane grams) and organizing school events. On October 28, they will host our Halloween Trunk or Treat event, with more than 60 decorated vehicles. On December 2, a Winter Formal Dance for grades 6-8 will be held. Looking ahead, a Valentines' Dance, for grades 3-5 and their parents will be held February 10. We are very grateful to have such a wonderful PTO.

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked Mr. Aksoy for his report.

- *Mr. Vince Kelly*, Principal, **SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN**, reported to the Board on the following items:
  - **Enrollment** is currently at 200. We are pleased that this is the highest number we have seen at this time of the year that we can remember.
  - **Staffing:** Our year started fully staffed. We had a number of new teachers and school leaders this year. We have been very happy with the dynamics and collaboration that our new teachers have brought in so far this school year. As of today, we do have a PE vacancy due to a teacher who needed to resign due to a personal emergency.
  - This year we hired both a new Dean of Students and Dean of Academics so we started the year with the uncertainty of what this would look like. Today, I am happy to report that both Ms. Tara Lindsey and Mrs. Karen Rogers have been incredible additions to our staff and the Sonoran family. Both of them have acclimated very quickly into their roles, which are not easy roles to jump into. I cannot say enough about how pleased myself and the rest of our school staff is with the support each of them has provided. They have both proven to be assets to our organization.
  - **Academics:** Last year, we talked about our ENG102 and our continued participation in the Racing the Sun competition. The team finished the year with a successful showing at the year-end event. As this has typically been only available primarily to seniors who are part of this class, this year we have incorporated this into our clubs allowing more high school students access to this experience.
  - Like last year, our retired engineer, Mr. John Sepp, has agreed to come back and work with the students on designing our solar car for this school year. We are thankful for the time and expertise he continues to share with the team.
  - This year we have increased our Computer Science offerings to further support our students who want to embrace the STEM experience. In addition to the Computer Science course we previously offered, we have increased the number of those sections, and have added Cyber Security and Web Development. We have also expanded our video game design offerings to include a 3D Art Pathway with its own curriculum and an emphasis on *Blender*, as well as a Game Design Programming Pathway.

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- As with all the schools and their focus on AVID (and the WICOR strategies that are a key component of it), we are continuing our student-led conferences this school year. Our goal continues to be the development of critical reflection and presentation skills for our student body. This year, we have asked our students to focus on one or two of the WICOR strategies and use that as a focal point, coupled with one of their key projects for the first quarter that they can speak to during their conference with their parent and teacher. Conferences are scheduled for November 4.
- We are also proud to bring back art to the school. Students are super excited about this.
- Additionally, we have improved our fine arts program by introducing music to both middle and high school students. Our first concert will be just before winter break (tentatively scheduled for December 2) and will have a 1980s theme. The concert will consist of our music program, as well as performances by our drama department, and a student art showcase during the event.
- This year we also implemented PBIS rewards, which is a digital point system to go along with our PBIS values. Students, parents and teachers each have their own app where they can track points assigned. Students are able to redeem points through our PBIS online store. Many of the items are free such as dress down passes, student shout outs in morning announcements, and a phone call home from the Principal. When we put this one in, we didn't expect it to be selected but, as it turns out, just this week, 8 students have used their points for a phone call home from me. This has proved to be a great strategy for meaningful communication with our parents.
- **Parent Involvement:** This past month, school leadership held a Coffee and Donuts with Admin session that turned out to be quite successful. The morning session was well attended. We had an interactive session allowing parents to talk to one another and with us about a variety of topics. As school leaders, we also provided parents with information regarding some of our key initiatives including BT, PBIS, AVID, and Character Strong.
- Next month the Attorney General's Office is coming to do bullying presentations for students and they will also be doing an evening presentation for parents, giving them tips and strategies on how to support their children who report they are being bullied.
- **Community/Outreach:** Last month, our student council partnered with Interfaith Community Services to sponsor a canned food drive to benefit local Tucson families in need.
- This Saturday, our student council will be hosting a community yard sale on base. Many local families have donated items for our student council to sell and the council will dispose of any items that are not sold. It is a win-win for the school and community.

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- NHS is currently planning a blood drive to at our school for our families and the base community.
- **Extracurriculars:** For the first time ever, we have a flag football team at the high school level and we are off to a competitive start, including winning our first game last month. We are looking forward to playing our sister school, SSA-Tucson, later this month.
- Our volleyball team has also been competitive and we have the largest number of girls on the team that we have ever had.
- Battle Bots club has been introduced this year. This is also in alignment with our STEM initiatives and students have been most recently working on the construction of the battle platforms.
- **School Improvements:** This year we continue to focus on the little things that will continue to improve the overall appearance of our facilities. We acquired 200 foldable chairs this summer so that when we have assemblies, students no longer have to sit on the floor. This also included some revamping of the school library providing more seating areas and new board games for our students during their non- unstructured time, and several freshly painted classrooms. Additionally, we have put up several new bulletin boards across the school so that we can highlight more of what is happening on campus.
- Lastly, as part of our DoDEA grant, we have acquired several big-ticket items for our students this year including brand new digital cameras, a poster printer, a full classroom set of V/R gear, and multiple terrariums for our newly donated African Desert Tortoises (that were donated directly from the base).

The Board had the opportunity to ask questions and thanked Mr. Kelly for his report.

### VIII. **Authority to Enter Into Dual Enrollment Agreements—Action Item—SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY DAVIS-MONTHAN & SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY**

- The motion was made by *Mrs. Kirkpatrick* to grant the Chief Executive Officer, Sonoran Schools (“CEO”), the authority to enter into agreements with accredited colleges to offer dual enrollment (high school credit and college credit) courses to high school students. The motion was seconded by *Dr. Yilmaz*. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

### IX. **Consent Agenda—Action Item**

- *Mrs. Kirkpatrick* asked if any Board member wanted to remove any item(s) from the Consent Agenda. Hearing no such requests, *Dr. Yilmaz* motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. *Ms. Baca Ruiz* seconded the motion. The motion to approve was unanimous. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

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- 1) **Parent Visitation Policy** (*policy section of Parent-Student Handbook updated from June 2022 version to comply with new laws effective 09-24-2022*)—**ALL**
- 2) **2022-2023 Calendar** (*revised to accommodate ADE-required make-up day, due to school cancellation because of storm damage*)—**SONORAN SCIENCE ACADEMY-EAST**
- 3) **Application Packet** (*annual revisions/updates*)—**ALL**
- 4) **Home Visit Reimbursement Rates** (*increase from 2018 rates*)—**ALL**
- 5) **Visitor & Volunteer Policies & Procedures** (*policy updated to comply with new laws effective 09-24-2022*)—**ALL**
- 6) **\*Extracurricular Activity Fees & Hardship Waiver** (*annual requests to GBs to enable programs/clubs that charge a fee to be eligible to collect Arizona School Tax Credit contributions*)—**ALL**  
*\*For any extracurricular activity fee approved, the Board also authorizes the Principal of the School to waive all or part of said fee if it creates an economic hardship for the student.*

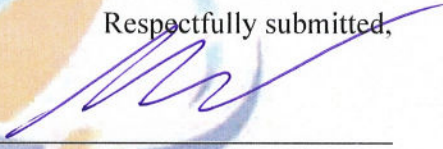
**X. Future Meeting Dates and Items for Future Agendas—Discussion Only**

- Confirmation of the next meeting date: December 7, 2022. This meeting is tentatively scheduled to be in person.—**ALL**

**VII. Adjournment—ALL**

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made by *Dr. Yilmaz*, seconded by *Ms. Baca Ruiz*, and unanimously carried, the joint meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m. *Mrs. Kirkpatrick: Aye; Ms. Baca Ruiz: Aye; Dr. Yilmaz: Aye.*

Respectfully submitted,

  
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*Crissie Rowley, Secretary to the Governing Boards*

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