



ASPIRA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ASPIRA INC. OF ILLINOIS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2022 – 6:30PM

IN PERSON MEETING AT ASPIRA BUSINESS & FINANCE HIGH SCHOOL, 2989 N. MILWAUKEE AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60618

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Chairman of the Board of Directors of ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois, will conduct a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to begin at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 13, 2022. The purpose of the meeting is set forth in the following agenda:

Agenda

(Items in BOLD require Board action)

- 1. Call to Order: 6:42PM. The Board meeting of the ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois Board of Directors pursuant to this notice, is now called to order.
- 2. Roll Call:

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Present
Luis Martinez, Director	Present
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Present
Alberto Fret	Present
Julio Santiago	Present
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Present
Gabriela Gonzalez	Present
Rosanna Diaz	Present - Virtual
Marilyn Martinez	Absent

Quorum reached.

3. **Approval of Agenda - December 13, 2022, 2022:** Motion to approve agenda was made by Director Lugo-Gross, and seconded by Director L. Martinez. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes - Virtual

4. Opportunity for Public Comment: Dr. Abdin Noboa, Aspira Association Consultant, requested

to address the Board

5. Closed Session 6:58pm: 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9): Student Disciplinary Case. Motion to go into Closed Session was made by Director Lugo-Gross and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

The ASPIRA Board will go into closed session as permitted by provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq., the Board may discuss matters related to the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer, litigation, collective negotiations, and other exempt items that may come before the Board.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes

Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes - Virtual

6. Return to Open Session 8:00pm: Motion to return to open session was made by Director Lugo-Gross and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes - Virtual

- 7. Approval: Board action concerning Board of Directors Committee Structure. ITEM TABLED TO 1/12/2023 BOARD MEETING
- 8. Approval: Board action concerning Board of Directors Committee Membership and Chairs. ITEM TABLED TO 1/12/2023 BOARD MEETING
- 9. Approval: Board action concerning Board Payment of follow up Board Training Expenses. ITEM TABLED TO 1/12/2023 BOARD MEETING. Item tabled as Board Members made the following requests:
 - -Vidal: Contract was signed by Chairman without Members vote/approval
 - -Chairman does not know if it was in the budget
 - -Vidal: does not want the \$6,000 invoice paid
 - -Santiago concurs with Vidal (do not pay)
 - -Martinez asked for justification of services
- 10. **Adjournment @ 7:35pm**: Motion to adjourn was made by Director Rodriguez, and seconded by Director Santiago. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes - Virtual

Minutes prepared by: Maggie Garcia