



ACADEMY OF MEDIA ARTS
 (A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS –Board Meeting
MINUTES

February 23, 2021 5:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held at Academy of Media Arts, 2009 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90062

Public members are welcome to attend and provide comments.

OPEN SESSION

- **Call to Order** – 5:35 p.m. John White called the meeting to order.
- **Roll Call - Present:**
 1. John White
 2. Jenny Vinopal
 3. Afeez Tijani
 4. Dana Hammond
 5. Walter Wallace

Public Comments: None

Action Item: January 26, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by: Afeez Tijani

Second by: Jenny Vinopal

Final Vote: Board Unanimous approved

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jenny Vinopal	X			
Afeez Tijani	X			
John White	X			

Action Items: January 7, 2021 Special Board Minutes

Motion by: Jenny Vinopal

Second by: Afeez Tijani

Final Vote: Board Unanimous approved

Board Members	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jenny Vinopal	X			
Afeez Tijani	X			
John White	X			

Monthly Fiscal Report December 2020 - January 2021 by Walter Wallace

- Mr. Wallace gave an overview of current financial status with details about budget projections
- AMA is good shape and revenue will be coming in higher due to increase in enrollment.
- Board heard about various exemptions AMA was approved for and various ways to maximize cost savings including employee benefits.

COVID-19 School Reopening Guidance Checklist

- Board reviewed the School Guidance Checklist
- LA County current in Covid 19 level in purple tier
- Plans for all schools including charter school in LA County is still reviewing plans
- Biggest obstacle is getting agreement by teacher's union to come back to school. The district and teacher union are in negotiation over what a return to campus would look like.
- AMA can provide education and offer a hybrid model for scholars with IEP who need additional support.

CEO Update by Dana Hammond

- AMA WASC accreditation approval and received a banner that signals to families and scholars that the coursework will be recognized for admission to all public and private education.
- College Career Readiness Fellowship with JP Morgan Chase - The Fellowship provides scholars to be mentored in 10th grade for latino and african american boys. They take classes, get support, mentoring and real world experience. Representatives came to campus and reserved 6 spots for AMA scholars. This addition will provide scholars with enrichment opportunities that include college readiness program over a two year period that helps them grow.
- USC Viterbi School of Engineering K-12 STEM Center - This summer program is being offered to scholars to build on STEM careers. This is an intensive virtual program that was extended with scholarships to students at AMA and will align what they are learning.
- AMA Innovation X Speakers Series - This event highlighted entertainment, aerospace and VR company and there was a good turnout by scholars and their families. It offered scholars opportunity to learn and get critique by industry experts. This enhances their educational experience and exposure to real world

Adjournment- 6:18 p.m.

Motion by: Jenny Vinopal

Second by: Afeez Tijani

Final Vote: Unanimous