

**21st. Century Public Academy  
Governance Council Meeting  
July 20, 2026**

**Members Present:** Art Silva, President  
Darlene Stapleton, Vice President  
Pat Moser, Secretary  
Marie Silva, Member

**Absent:** Greg Gutierrez, Member  
Jennifer Elliot, Special Education Director

**Guests:** Eric Tiger, Superintendent  
Jeremy Peckens, Principal  
Aaron Savoia, Vigil Group  
Kathy Potter, Recorder  
Valerie Trujillo

Governance Council called to order by Art Silva, President at 5:45 pm

**Roll Call:**

- Quorum Met

**Approval of Agenda**

- Motion to amend Agenda to read June, 2026 instead of May, 2026 on budget reports and approve Agenda for July 20, 2026 – Darlene Stapleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pat Moser  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Approval of Governance Council Minutes of June 18, 2026**

- Motion to approve previous Minutes of June 18, 2026 – Darlene Stapleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pat Moser  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Open Forum** – Mr. Peckens introduced Valerie Trujillo as a potential new Governance Council Board Member and stated that she is observing tonight's meeting.

**Presentation and Discussion of Budget Reports** – Aaron Savoia reported on all budget reports for June, 2026.

- Motion to Approve Cash Disbursements & Bank Reconciliation for June, 2026 – Darlene Stapleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pat Moser  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Discussion of meeting with Sue Griffith** – Mr. Tiger stated that a public entity must request money and how school will use it. Sue Griffith suggested a meeting with Aaron Savoia and the Vigil Group to fill out form. Marie Silva also stated that the school could use some of the funds for safety and security.

**Discussion and Approval of Student and Employee Handbook** – Mr. Tiger reported that there were no changes in the employee handbook. He also stated that the only change in the student handbook was the language for part of the dress code and footwear.

- Motion to approve Student and Employee Handbook – Darlene Stapleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pat Moser  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Presentation and Discussion of Special Education Report** – Mr. Tiger reported for Jennifer Elliot that there were no changes from last month's report, and the numbers stayed the same.

**Presentation and Discussion of Principal's Report** – Jeremy Peckens reported on all items.

**Presentation and Discussion of Superintendent's Report** – Eric Tiger reported on all items.

#### **Next Meeting**

- August 17, 2026

**Motion to Adjourn** – Darlene Stapleton  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Pat Moser  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Meeting Adjourned At 6:24 pm**