

**Arizona Ball Charter Schools  
Special Board Meeting  
June 18, 2020**

**1. Call to Order**

The virtual Special Governing Board meeting was called to order by John Huppenthal, Governing Board President, at 5:03 p.m. on June 18, 2020. Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/2089401501>, Meeting ID: 208 940 1501.

John outlined how the Special Governing Board Meeting would proceed. The **Hearn** Special Governing Board meeting will be called first and there will be a comprehensive briefing at this meeting. All are encouraged to comment during the Hearn meeting. The Dobson Special Governing Board meeting and the Val Vista Special Governing Board meetings will follow.

**Ball Charter Schools (Hearn) Governing Board Meeting**

**2. Roll Call**

*Present:*

John Huppenthal, Governing Boards President  
Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards Vice President  
Kyle Malcomson, Hearn Secretary  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Board Member

Tara Yesenski, Dobson Secretary  
Natalie McKenney, Dobson Board Member  
Todd Piluga, Dobson Board Member  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Board Member  
Dawne Winn, Principal – Dobson  
Gaye Leo, Principal – Hearn  
Debra Baca, Principal – Val Vista  
Annie Gilbert, Senior Director of Finance and Operations  
Parker Galope, Director of Student Support Services

*Absent:*

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Board Member  
Rhonda Donnelly, Val Vista Board Member

**3. Call to the Public**

Brianna Perkins – DA parent and educator  
Ashley Downing – DA PTO President  
Daniel Langhans – DA teacher  
John Karoly – DA teacher  
Michelle Kelker – DA Librarian, long-time parent  
Adam Kelker – DA parent  
Sabrina Oliver – DA educator and preschool parent  
Patty Padia – DA educator  
Michael Barreras – DA teacher

**4. Discussion and Possible Action Item**

The purpose of the Special Governing Board meeting was to Ratify Ball Charter Reopening plans.

Led by the ADMIN Team consisting of the 3 school principals, Annie Gilbert and Parker Galope, Ball Charter Schools conducted a comprehensive parent survey. The survey was sent out in English and Spanish and there were 650 responses. Parker guided attendees through the Survey Results slides.

Additional surveys will be going out to allow everyone's voice to be heard. Please note: Hearn is scheduled to reopen on August 6 and Dobson and Val Vista are scheduled to reopen on August 5.

The ADMIN Team's goal in preparing the protocol document is to put forth student-centered protocol recommendations. The plan represents the collective intelligence of all three campuses, yet recognizes each school's uniqueness--the principals have been given autonomy to insure the safety of students and staff members. All will be looking at neighboring districts and collectively meeting and sharing intelligence in order to keep kids safe and maintain our instructional rigor.

Gaye was asked by John to present the proposed Essential Standards for Reopening Ball Charter Schools. Gaye paused frequently to encourage and allow for questions. The proposal consisted of the following key items of consideration:

- In-Person Learning
- Distance Learning – Note: Robust BCS distance Learning Plans are continuing to be worked and will be brought to the July 13 Governing Boards meeting
- Intensify Cleaning & Disinfection
- Buildings and Facilities
- Events/Field Trips

Dawne and Deb were asked to comment. Both thanked Gaye for going over the plan and opening up for questions. Board members and guests comments regarding Reopening Plans were appreciated and will be considered. The following suggestions/comments were noted:

- Masks for students – voluntary parent decision – school can provide mask if needed
- Masks for employees –employees will be required to wear masks during instructional times
- Temperatures – temperatures will be taken, CDC recommends below 100.4, staff
- Use of Building and Facilities - Space / Class Size
- Safety – all are committed, recognizing uniqueness of each campus, health protocols, training
- Lunch – protocols will be put in place/each school will evaluate
- Specials – may be modified
- Extracurricular activities and clubs – each school will develop plans
- Hard stop time – each campus may have to implement due to cleaning and disinfection, securing each building
- GoGuardian – installed on every device
- On –line program – continuously work to make more robust
- Live Stream
- Volunteer hours – will mitigate health concerns by limiting
- Awareness of “cutting edge” students w/parent support in the market, match the competition
- Current HVAC – maximize filtration, look at continuous filtration
- Drinking fountains – closed, looking into other options
- Contact tracing – assure good plan
- Academic progress measurement
- Child care option concerns – will look a little different on each campus
- Registration process – encouraged in order to be prepared for classroom or distance learning
- Physical Education – masking /details not yet discussed, will come forth

The Board thanked the ADMIN Team members and appreciated the foundation laid out and the hard work that has been done. Love that children are the focus and their safety. Shout out to Dobson teachers on the call!

Mike Sobieski gave a shout out to Annie, Parker, Deb, Gaye, and Dawne as the core group (ADMIN Team) who put the reopening plan together, applauding and recognizing their timely efforts in working together to put together this very excellent plan. Bases were covered and survey results taken into consideration. They all deserve our applause

Amy Gurtler moved to approve the Essential Standards for Reopening Ball Charter Schools. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Malcomson, A. Gurtler). Motion carried.

## 5 Adjournment

Kyle Malcomson moved to adjourn the meeting. Amy Gurtler Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, K. Malcomson, A. Gurtler). Motion carried. The Hearn Academy Governing Board meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

### **Ball Charter Schools (Dobson) Governing Board Meeting**

#### 1. Call to Order

The virtual Special Governing Board meeting for **Dobson Academy** was called to order by John Huppenthal, Governing Board President, at 6:42 p.m. on June 18, 2020. Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/2089401501>, Meeting ID: 208 940 1501.

#### 2. Roll Call

*Present:*

John Huppenthal, Governing Boards President  
Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards Vice President  
Tara Yesenski, Dobson Secretary  
Natalie McKenney, Dobson Board Member  
Todd Piluga, Dobson Board Member

Kyle Malcomson, Hearn Secretary  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Board Member  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Board Member  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Board Member  
Dawne Winn, Principal – Dobson  
Gaye Leo, Principal – Hearn  
Debra Baca, Principal – Val Vista  
Annie Gilbert, Senior Director of Finance and Operations  
Parker Galope, Director of Student Support Services

*Absent:*

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Board Member  
Rhonda Donnelly, Val Vista Board Member

#### 3. Discussion and Possible Action Item

The purpose of the virtual meeting was to Ratify Ball Charter Reopening plans. The plans were discussed and commented upon at the Hearn Board meeting.

Mike Sobieski motioned to approve the proposed Essential Standards for Reopening Ball Charter Schools as presented. Tara Yesenski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, T. Yesenski, N. McKenney, T. Piluga). Motion carried.

#### 4 Adjournment

Natalie McKenney moved to adjourn the meeting. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, T. Yesenski, N. McKenney, T. Piluga). Motion carried.

The Dobson Academy Governing Board meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

**Ball Charter Schools (Val Vista) Governing Board Meeting**

**1. Call to Order**

The virtual Special Governing Board meeting for **Val Vista Academy** was called to order by John Huppenthal, Governing Board President, at 6:44 p.m. on June 18, 2020. Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/2089401501>, Meeting ID: 208 940 1501.

**2. Roll Call**

*Present:*

John Huppenthal, Governing Boards President  
Mike Sobieski, Governing Boards Vice President  
Karah Gagnon, Val Vista Secretary  
Devin Grigg, Val Vista Board Member

Tara Yesenski, Dobson Secretary  
Natalie McKenney, Dobson Board Member  
Todd Piluga, Dobson Board Member  
Kyle Malcomson, Hearn Secretary  
Amy Gurtler, Hearn Board Member  
Dawne Winn, Principal – Dobson  
Gaye Leo, Principal – Hearn  
Debra Baca, Principal – Val Vista  
Annie Gilbert, Senior Director of Finance and Operations  
Parker Galope, Director of Student Support Services

*Absent:*

Marcus Harrison, Hearn Board Member  
Rhonda Donnelly, Val Vista Board Member

**3. Discussion and Possible Action Item**

The purpose of the virtual meeting was to Ratify Ball Charter Reopening plans. The plans were discussed and commented upon at the Hearn Board meeting.

Devin Grigg made motion to approve the Essential Standards for Reopening Ball Charter Schools as presented. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, D. Grigg). Motion carried.

**4. Adjournment**

Devin Grigg moved to adjourn the meeting. Mike Sobieski Second. All in favor. (J. Huppenthal, M. Sobieski, D. Grigg). Motion carried. The Val Vista meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

John thanked all present at the Special Meeting for their thoughtful comments and participation.

Approved by Ball Charter Schools Governing Board

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President

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Date