



**Centers for Applied Science & Technology
Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
Monday August 31, 2020
2:30-4 p.m.**

Via Zoom

Time: 2:30-4:10

Board Members in Attendance: Shari Albright, Yvette Benavides, Dr. Lyssa Ochoa, Kate Rogers, David Heard, Lisa Lewis,

Staff Members in Attendance:

Charles Clines, Jeanne Russell, Eddie Rodriguez, Carol Mendenhall (Dr. Ochoa left early due to surgery.)

Student voice:

Jeanne called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She then asked Dr. Ochoa to talk about her experience this summer with internships she provided for CAST MED students. Dr. Ochoa talked about the responsibilities of the interns and what they told her they learned. A student from CAST MED, Letza Martinez, talked about her experience from the student point of view.

Another board member Yvette Benavides spoke about her part in the Summer Studio where a team of art teachers created a summer bridge experience for incoming ninth graders from all the schools. A video showcasing the work of a student was shown as well as a video of one of the teachers who participated in the teacher summer studio. Caroline Brooks, CAST MED, was there to talk about her piece and answer questions. One of the teachers on the team, Jose DeHoyos also talked about the depth of the project and how much the collaboration meant to him.

State of our students/data: Two reports from remote learning were shared; UTSA UEI report ([link](#)) (our summary [link](#)). A report on some initial data highlights from our SAISD schools was led by Jeanne.

Internship data from the summer was also shared.

Approvals of the following items:

Minutes from last board meeting – Lisa Lewis moved, Shari Albright seconded, all in favor

Authorization for Executive Director to submit SAISD Asynchronous Learning Plan – Kate Rogers moved, Shari Albright seconded, all in favor

Minutes from school advisory meetings, Kate Rogers moved, Shari Albright seconded, all in favor

1882 plans/campus budgets from SAISD campuses – the board discussed the ways in which campuses were allocating their funds this year and agreed to review and come back at the next meeting if any additional discussion was merited

Closing and meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm