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Centers for Applied Science and Technology
Board of Trustees Meeting | June 20, 2024
VelocityTX | 3:30-4:30, reception 4:30-5 p.m.

Board Members Present: Shari Albright, Katie Chain, Lisa Lewis, Rene Dominguez, and Jeanne Russell

Board Members Absent: Erik Nieves

Board Members Called in for Executive Session: Erik Ford and Dr. Lyssa Ochoa

Staff Members Present: Amanda Sierra, Al Perez, and Heriberto "Eddie" Rodriguez

1. Welcome

- a. Welcome to Velocity - Rene Dominguez
 - i. Board Member, Rene Dominguez, CEO of Texas Research and Technology Foundation, shared an overview of the foundation's mission and vision plus growth plans for the campus.

2. Executive session

The board convened in Closed Session to review Budgets, Financials, Strategic Plans, and Student Outcomes.

3. Items for board feedback and input/partnership work

- a. Class of 2024 Overview (Senior Survey Results)
- b. Expected enrollment for 24-25 by campus
- c. Draft Partner Roadmap Overview
- d. Board members, quick sharing of their CAST highlights of the year (time permitting, or we will revisit in August)

4. Consent agenda

- a. Approve 24-25 budget
 - i. Shari Albright moved to approve the 2024-2025 Budget; Lisa Lewis seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously
- b. Approve new term Board President, Vice President
 - i. Shari Albright moved to approve the 2024-2025 Budget; Lisa Lewis seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously
- c. Additional Consent Items: Approval April Meeting Minutes, Approve new 2-year terms for board members, (Class I - Jeanne Russell, Katie Chain, Dr. Lyssa Ochoa, Erik Ford), Approve updated financial policies, Recognize new state requirements for board training
 - i. Rene Dominguez moved to approve the 2024-2025 Budget; Katie Chain seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously

1. Events & Celebrations

- a. CAST Teach featured in Ed Week
- b. CAST STEM featured in OECD podcast
- c. Katie's Closet at CAST Teach (now at Lead, Teach & ALA, and Teach)
- d. Apprenticeship Launch at CAST Tech, announcement of 80\20 Foundation grant
- e. Final Black Student Union Meeting at the Carver
- f. Three Years of Fear - coming this fall!
- g. CAST college gap funding recipients

2. 4:30-5 p.m. Reception with new CAST employees, apprentices, and summer interns, photo highlights from the year in review

August meeting: August 22, 3:30-5

Final enrollment, trustee succession planning, new school design work

Proposed board meeting schedule for 24-25 School Year:

6 meetings, Thursdays 3:30-5 p.m., August, Oct., Dec., Feb., April, June