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## **ATTENDANCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT CHANGES DUE TO COVID-19**

The Academies CMO Board of Directors will be conducting its Board meeting on January 19, 2021. Given the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering Tulare County and the Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, The Academies CMO is implementing the following changes for attendance and public comment.

The Academies CMO Board meeting to be held on January 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. will **only be accessible via Zoom**. The meeting may be viewed through the following options:

- Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82719680709>

The Academies CMO will also provide links to the streaming option on the TACMO website and on its Facebook page.

Unfortunately, physical attendance by the public cannot be accommodated given the current circumstances and the need to ensure the health and safety of The Academies CMO Board, The Academies CMO staff, and the public as a whole.

If you wish to make a general public comment or public comment on a particular item on the agenda, **you must submit your public comments by e-mail to: [dball@theacademiescharters.org](mailto:dball@theacademiescharters.org)**. In the subject line of the e-mail, please state your name and the item you are commenting on. If you wish to submit a public comment on more than one agenda item, please send a separate e-mail for each item you are commenting on. Please be aware that written public comments, including your name, may become public information. Additional requirements for submitting public comments by e-mail are provided below.

### **General Public Comments & Comments on District Board Business Items**

For general public comments and comments regarding specific CMO Board Business Items, all public comments must be received by e-mail no later than 12:00 p.m. on January 19, 2021. Comments received by this time will be read aloud by a staff member during the applicable agenda item, provided that such comments may be read within the normal three (3) minutes allotted to each speaker. Any portion of your comment extending past three (3) minutes may not be read aloud due to time restrictions. If a general public comment or comment on a business item is received after 12:00 p.m., efforts will be made to read your comment into the record. However, staff cannot guarantee that written comments received after 12:00 p.m. will be read. All written comments that are not read into the record will be made part of the meeting minutes, provided that such comments are received prior to the end of The Academies CMO Board meeting.

**\*PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED THAT DO NOT SPECIFY A PARTICULAR AGENDA ITEM WILL BE READ ALOUD DURING THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION OF THE AGENDA.\***

The Academies CMO thanks you for your cooperation in advance. Our community's health and safety is our highest priority.

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Here is quick summary of the basics:

- No public attendance. Public may only observe online.
- All public comments must be submitted by email: [dball@theacademiescharters.org](mailto:dball@theacademiescharters.org)
- Subject line of the email should state the commenter's name and the item they are commenting on.
- All general comments or comments on business items must be received by 12:00 p.m.
- Comments will be read aloud by staff (up to 3 minutes) if received on time.

If not timely but received by the end of the end of the meeting, comments will at least be included as part of the minutes for the meeting.



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## **PUBLIC BOARD MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA**

January 19, 2021, 5:00 PM – Special Board Meeting

**Meeting Held Virtually - Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82719680709>

In order to ensure that members of the public are provided a meaningful opportunity to address the Board on non-agenda items or agenda items that are within the Board's jurisdiction, non-agenda items may be addressed at the public comment portion of the agenda and agenda items may be addressed at the time the matter is considered by the Board. During the evening, many of the Board members will be speaking on various subjects. It should be noted that each Board member expresses only his/her opinion and not the opinion of the entire Board. Teleconferencing may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting. All votes taken during a teleconferenced meeting shall be by roll call.

### **1. OPENING BUSINESS**

1.1 CALL PUBLIC SESSION TO ORDER

1.2 ADA ACCOMMODATIONS

a. This meeting is held in an area accessible to the disabled. In compliance with the American Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in meetings, call (559) 730-7422 at BOA forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting. Persons who are in need of disability-related modification or accommodation in order to participate in the Board meeting may make a request to Donya Ball at PO Box 1189, Visalia, CA 93279 or (559) 730-7422. Such a request should be in writing if possible or may be made in person or by telephone. The request should specify the nature of the accommodation or modification requested, including any auxiliary aids or services requested, and the name, address, and telephone number of the person making the request.

b. If documents are distributed to Board members concerning an agenda item within 72 hours of a regular Board meeting, at the same time the documents will be made available for public inspection. Interested members of the public may request to see the same documents by emailing the Superintendent ([dball@theacademiescharters.org](mailto:dball@theacademiescharters.org)), and the complete packet will be shared electronically.

1.3 IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

1.4 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION TOPICS

a. General public comment on any closed session item will be heard. The Board may limit individual comments to no more than 3 minutes and individual topics to 20 minutes. Please begin your comments by stating your name.

1.5 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

### **2. CLOSED SESSION (May reconvene after the public meeting, if necessary)**

2.1 There are no Closed Session items to include this evening.

### **3. REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED**

3.1 CALL PUBLIC SESSION TO ORDER

3.2 REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (if any)

3.3 General public comment on any school related topic may be heard at this time. The Board asks that any public comment on an item listed on tonight's agenda be addressed at the time the item comes up for discussion by the Board. Pursuant to Board Policy, the Board may limit individual comments to no more than 3 minutes and individual topics to 20 minutes. Please begin your comments by stating your name.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

##### 4.1 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

There are no Administrative Services items to include this evening.

##### 4.2 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

There are no Superintendent's Office items to include this evening.

#### 5. PUBLIC RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATIONS/ACTION

5.1 There are no Public Recognition/Proclamation/Action items to include this evening.

#### 6. PROGRAM UPDATE & BOARD DEVELOPMENT

##### Presentation/Public Hearing/Public Comment/Board Discussion

6.1 Program Update: There is no Program Update to include this morning.

6.2 Board Development: Boardable Training

#### 7. COMMUNITY REPORTS

##### Presentation/Public Hearing/Public Comment/Board Discussion

7.1 There are no Community Reports to include this evening.

#### 8. ADMINISTRATIVE PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS

##### Review / Public Hearing/ Public Input / Board Discussion /ACTION (as applicable)

8.1 There are no Administrative Panel items to discuss this evening.

#### 9. GENERAL AGENDA

##### Review / Public Hearing/ Public Input / Board Discussion /ACTION (as applicable)

9.1 There are no General Agenda items to discuss this evening.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

10.1 Request for future Board Agenda items

10.2 The next The Academies CMO board meeting: January 21, 2021 at 6:30 PM via Zoom.