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**ASPIRA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ASPIRA INC. OF ILLINOIS  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022 – 6:30PM VIA ZOOM**

*Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation and Executive Order 2022-18 issued by Governor Pritzker, Board members will participate electronically using a Zoom Webinar at the link noted below which the public may join live. In order for us to prepare appropriately, please join the meeting promptly at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 to sign up for public comment, if you desire to address the Board.*

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Chairman of the Board of Directors of ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois, will conduct a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors to begin at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, November 22, 2022. The purpose of the meeting is set forth in the following agenda:

**Agenda**

**(Items in BOLD require Board action)**

1. Call to Order: 6:36PM. The Board meeting of the ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois Board of Directors pursuant to this notice, is now called to order.
2. Roll Call:

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Present
Luis Martinez, Director	Present
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Present
Alberto Fret	Present
Julio Santiago	Present

Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Present
Julia Madera	Absent
Gabriela Gonzalez	Present
Rosanna Diaz	Present
Marilyn Martinez	Present

Quorum reached.

3. **Approval of Agenda - November 22, 2022:** Motion to approve agenda was made by Director Vidal, and seconded by Director Diaz. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes
Marilyn Martinez	Yes

4. Closed Session 6:43pm: 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9): Student Disciplinary Case. Motion to go into Closed Session was made by Director Santiago and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

The ASPIRA Board will go into closed session as permitted by provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq., the Board may discuss matters related to the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer, litigation, collective negotiations, and other exempt items that may come before the Board.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes

Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes
Marilyn Martinez	Yes

5. Return to Open Session: Motion to return to open session was made by Director Lugo-Gross and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Julio Santiago	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes
Marilyn Martinez	Yes

6. **Approval: Motion to approve Resolution regarding Student Disciplinary Matter for Student #2022-2.**

Motion to approve was made by Chair Rodriguez and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

I move that the Aspira Board of Directors accept the Administrative Team recommendation as articulated in the attached *Resolution Authorizing Disciplinary Action*, incorporated herein in its entirety, that student #2022-2 (as identified in closed session) be expelled from the Aspira Charter School Network for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year and the entire 2023-2024 school year for Student Behavior in violation of Aspira's Code of Conduct as detailed in said *Resolution*. And that staff be authorized to effectuate this action including issuing all necessary notices.

Date: November 22, 2022

Effective Upon Approval

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes
Marilyn Martinez	Yes

7. Opportunity for Public Comment: None requested.
8. **Adjournment @ 7:35pm:** Motion to adjourn was made by Director Martinez, and seconded by Director Vidal. Motion carried.

David Rodriguez, Board Chair	Yes
Luis Martinez, Director	Yes
Gustavo Vidal, Director	Yes
Alberto Fret	Yes
Rosemary Lugo-Gross	Yes
Gabriela Gonzalez	Yes
Rosanna Diaz	Yes
Marilyn Martinez	Yes

Minutes prepared by: Maggie Garcia