



Suzuki Association of the Americas
 Board of Directors Meeting
April 12, 2022
 11a-1:30pm ET
 Zoom

Board Members	Staff	Guests
Present: Ellen Kogut, Chair Kerri Williams, Chair Elect Ching-Yi Lin, Secretary Mary Halverson Waldo Leslie Mizrahi Edmund Sprunger Bruce Walker Angelica Cortez <i>Ex officio</i>	Absent: Michelle Diggs Angelica Cortez, Executive Director	

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS TAKEN
1	Call to Order & Attendance		Meeting called to order at 11:05AM ET by Ellen Kogut, Chair
2	Approval of Agenda		Agenda Approved.
3	Approval of Minutes from March 2, 2022		Minutes Approved.
4	ED Report: Angelica Cortez	1. Assessing, analyzing, and improving our systems and operations. 2. Documenting, improving, and updating our core content and programming. 3. Member satisfaction.	
5	New Board Appointment(s)	Discussion on Board continuing governance education, legal responsibilities, and communication practices, to schedule regular interactive Board education	Edmund Sprunger moves that the Board have an onboarding training process that includes prepared and interactive materials. Mary Halverson Waldo Seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u> Leslie Mizrahi moves that the Board schedules ongoing training in Board legal responsibilities and communication processes. Bruce Walker seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u> Kerri Williams moves that the Board schedules training in 2022 with SAA attorney Cara Lawrence and communication consultants Kay Collier McLaughlin and Margaret Romney. Ching-Yi Lin seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>

6	Review of Tax Return 2020		<p><u>Consensus Statement:</u></p> <p>The Board expresses appreciation to past CEO Pam Brasch, for the completion of the 2020 taxes, and her foresight in securing a PPP loan in 2022, which covered losses that the SAA incurred due to contractual obligations (the need to cancel the SAA Conference due to the pandemic).</p> <p>The Board also wants to acknowledge the late Joan Mack, a Suzuki teacher from Pennsylvania, for her generous bequest to the SAA in 2020.</p> <p>The PPP loan and bequest contributed to a temporary increase in the SAA's assets for the 2020 tax year.</p>
7	Honorary Board Appointment	Noah Bendix-Balgley, Concertmaster of Berlin Philharmonic.	Ching-Yi Lin moves to appoint Noah Bendix-Balgley to the Honorary Board. Edmund Sprunger seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>
8	ISA Representation	Discussion to be continued at the next Board meeting on May 4 th , 2022	
9	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm <i>EST</i>

Ching-Yi Lin, Secretary
Approved minutes on May 4, 2022

When the Board revises Bylaws and/or policies, the actual revised language should be captured in the minutes, either as part of the motion, or referenced as an Addendum, which is to be recorded with the meeting minutes.