



Suzuki Association of the Americas
 Board of Directors Meeting
January 24, 2024
 11am-12:30pm ET
 Zoom

Board Members	Staff	Guests
Present: Kerri Williams, Chair Lynne Oliverius, Chair Elect April Losey, Substitute Secretary Kirk Cullimore, Treasurer Araceli Hackbarth Leslie Mizrahi Nancy Modell Andrea Raza Edmund Sprunger Bruce Walker Angelica Cortez <i>Ex officio</i>	Absent: Ching-yi Lin Geoffrey Hill Angelica Cortez, Executive Director	Kay Collier McLaughlin, ISA Representative

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS TAKEN
1	Call to Order & Attendance		Meeting called to order at 11:06 ET by Kerri Williams, Chair
2	Approval of Agenda		Agenda Approved.
3	Approval of Minutes from <i>November 29, 2023</i>		Minutes Approved.
4	Executive Director Report (Angelica Cortez)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2024 Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board meetings & Schedule ○ Logistics for Board involvement at Conference ● Suzuki Training Committee (STC) continues to meet ● Update on membership recruitment and retention ● Potential events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2025 Leadership Retreat ○ 2026 Conference ● Report on end of 2023 fundraising 	
5	Finance Committee (Kirk Cullimore)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2023 Audit completed successfully 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on revenue methods including adjusting dues rates to take inflation into account (dues have not been adjusted or raised since 2014) 	
6	Country Associations Committee (Leslie Mizrahi)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating awareness for cultural, economic, language and historical differences between various regions that SAA serves. Recognition that an SAA Country Association can have an important impact with local governments for associations in Latin America and Canada Official charge to this committee to be discussed at next meeting 	
7	Governance Committee (Edmund Sprunger)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of the impact our policies have on institutional knowledge and continuity Recommendation for ongoing board training 	
8	Nominating Committee (Lynne Oliverius)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing to review parameters of Honorary Board Reviewed 2024 SAA Board elections and appointments 	
9	Linkage / Communications Committee (Bruce Walker)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No meeting update reported at this meeting 	
9	ISA Rep (Kay Collier McLaughlin)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organization is global, and multicultural and political differences around the globe impact how people experience the Suzuki Method. Gratitude expressed for Dr. McLaughlin's service during term ending July 1. Rationale for selection of ISA Board representatives 	<p>Motion that next ISA Board representative from the SAA be SAA ED Angelica Cortez. Seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
12	Meeting adjourned		Meeting adjourned at 12:37PM ET