



Suzuki Association of the Americas
 Board of Directors Meeting
September 27, 2023
 11am-12:30pm ET
 Zoom

Board Members		Staff	Guests
Present: Kerri Williams, Chair Lynne Oliverius, Chair Elect Ching-Yi Lin, Secretary Kirk Cullimore Araceli Hackbarth Geoffrey Hill April Losey Leslie Mizrahi Nancy Modell Edmund Sprunger Bruce Walker Angelica Cortez <i>Ex officio</i>	Absent: Andrea Raza	Angelica Cortez, Executive Director	Lucinda Ali-Landing, Community Engagement and Marketing Manager Dyane Protzmann Rogelstad, Membership Associate Erin Ruthforth, Learning Manager

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTIONS TAKEN
1	Call to Order & Attendance		Meeting called to order at 11:00 EST by Kerri Williams, Chair
2	Approval of Agenda		Agenda Approved.
3	Approval of Minutes from <i>May 31, 2023</i>		Minutes Approved.
4	Introducing new Board and staff members. (Kerri and Angelica)	Welcoming our three new team Lucinda Ali-Landing (violin): Community Engagement and Marketing Manager Dyane Protzmann Rogelstad (piano): Membership Associate Erin Rushforth (violin): Learning Manager New Board Members: Araceli Hackbarth Geoffrey Hill	Breakout room discussion: 1. Introduce yourself 2. Share a summary of your Suzuki story 3. Identify themes in your stories

5	Executive Director Report (Angelica Cortez)	<p>Core Pillars of the SAA</p> <p>Vision and Goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broaden the SAA reach • Build sustainable strategies • Transition to a learning organization <p>Staffing Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current and additional staff members <p>Finance Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board reviewed finances • Details are available for Board Members in the Board Drive <p>Fundraising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference Sponsorship Leads • Additional support for grant writing and major donors <p>Conference Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of session proposals received • Conference proposal selection committee <p>Website Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glitches and improvements 	
6	Bruce Walker's second term (Kerri Williams)	Appointment of Bruce Walker to a second term on the SAA Board.	<p>April Losey moves to approve Bruce Walker's appointment to a second term on the SAA Board. <u>Seconded. Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Vote was unanimous yes.</p>
7	Vision Set-Up (Kerri Williams)	<p>Goals:</p> <p>Supporting the ED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic planning and clarity of goals 	<p>Discussion:</p> <p>Committee Work</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Determine or confirm your Chair

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governance structure review ● Expanding connections and partnering <p>Supporting the Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reviewing/defining our “why” ● Clear channels of communication <p>Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Detailed committee charges ● Recommendations and expectations (clear recording and reporting). ● Potential Ad Hoc Committees <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Supporting non-US members—Countries Committee 2. Sunshine Committee - developing Board community 3. Planning and Hospitality Committees for the Conference 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Determine meeting time 3. Begin to list and/or prioritize goals and tasks
8	Visioning Set-Up (Kerri Williams)	Improving Board communications	Bruce Walker moves to streamline communication to the Board. Seconded. <u>Motion carried.</u>
9	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 1:00PM <i>ET</i>