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RESOLUTION NO. 21-05

RESOLUTION OF THE ALBERT EINSTEIN ACADEMIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES AUTHORIZING INDEPENDENT STUDY INSTRUCTION FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

WHEREAS, on or about July 9, 2021, Governor Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill (“AB”) 130, which requires school districts to offer independent study as an optional alternative instructional strategy for eligible students during the 2021- 2022 school year;

WHEREAS, AB 130 supplements existing requirements under Education Code Section 51747, such that eligibility for apportionment is entirely dependent on having a compliant policy;

WHEREAS, the Superintendent or designee bears responsibility to approve independent study for an individual student only upon determining that the student is prepared to meet the school’s requirements for independent study and is likely to succeed in independent study as well as or better in a manner comparable to or better than he/she/they would in the regular classroom;

WHEREAS, Students in independent study shall have access to the same services and resources that are available to the other students in the school and shall have equal rights and privileges.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 51747, independent study shall be coordinated, evaluated, and carried out under the general supervision of a certificated employee who consents to the assignment.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 51747, the independent study policy sets forth specific criteria and processes for enrollment, disenrollment, and re enrollment in independent study and/or in-person instruction;

WHEREAS, a local educational agency is responsible for evaluating and monitoring the achievement and engagement of each student enrolled in the independent study program, completion of assignments, assessments or other indicators of student participation/work, acquisition of concept knowledge, and progress towards successful completion of required course(s) of study;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (“Board”) desires to provide an independent study option to eligible students during the 2021-22 school year, provided that the LEA is able to do so in compliance with applicable law;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board directs and authorizes the Superintendent or designee to take the following actions in the 2021-22 school year:

1. Develop and adopt an independent study instructional plan consistent with Education Code section 51747 and AB 130.
2. For the 2021-2022 school year only, and within 30 days from the first day of instruction, obtain a signed written agreement from all required parties agreeing to the details terms of a student independent study contract.
3. Develop criteria to evaluate “satisfactory educational progress” in independent study and evaluate students according to this standard.
4. Offer a curriculum during independent study substantially equivalent to in-person instruction, to include daily/weekly synchronous instruction and live interaction as set forth in Education Code section 51747(d) – (f).
5. Take into account the considerations of the school community and staff when developing and implementing these instructional models, provided that doing so does not delay the LEA’s ability to commence instruction on August 23, 2021.
6. Provide timely notification to the school community and staff of the independent study model that will be available during the 2021-22 school year.
7. Keep the Board apprised of developments as necessary and appropriate, to ensure the Board receives timely advance notification of the Superintendent’s actions pursuant to this Resolution.
8. Take any other actions as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Resolution, provided that such actions are compliant with state, federal and local legal requirements, as well as the LEA’s Board Policies.

ADOPTED, PASSED AND APPROVED on August 10, 2021, at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees duly called and held, at which a quorum was present and acting throughout, by the following vote:

AYES: 7

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN/ABSENT: 0

By: Maria Ortega
Maria Ortega, President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

By: Kristen Rebien

Kristen Rebien, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Kristin Rebien, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Albert Einstein Academies, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, County of San Diego, California, hereby certify as follows:

The attached is a full, true, and correct copy of resolutions duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Albert Einstein Academies, which was duly and properly held on the 10th day of August, 2021, at which meeting all of the members of the Board of Trustees had due notice and at which a quorum thereof was present; and at such meeting such resolutions were adopted by the following vote:

AYES: 7

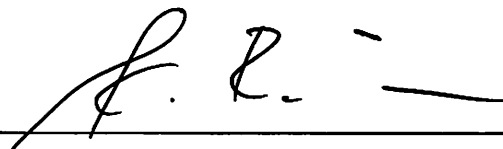
NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

I have carefully compared the same with the original minutes of such meeting on file and of record in my office; the attached is a full, true, and correct copy of the original resolutions adopted at such meeting and entered in such minutes; and such resolutions have not been amended, modified, or rescinded since the date of their adoption, and the same are now in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand this 10th day of August, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Rebien', written over a horizontal line.

Kristen Rebien, Secretary to the Board of Trustees