ST. MARY'S CHARTER SCHOOL NOTICE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING FEDERAL FUNDS JUNE 2, 2021

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ST. MARY'S CHARTER SCHOOL WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2021 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE 800 BUILDING, ROOM 805, LOCATED AT 507 N. FILMORE, BEEVILLE, TX 78102

THE SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED OR CONSIDERED AND/OR UPON WHICH FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ARE AS FOLLOWS. (ITEMS DO NOT HAVE TO BE TAKEN IN THE ORDER SHOWN ON THIS NOTICE).

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM
- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- IV. DESCRIPTION OF ESSER III

ARP ESER III Overview: The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, was enacted on March 11, 2021. The ARP Act provides additional funding for school districts to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Education portion of ARP is known as the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III or ARP ESSER) Fund.

General grant specifics are as follows:

- Grant Timeframe: Grant expires September 30, 2023. If needed, districts can carry over unused funds and be allowed to continue spending until September 30, 2024.
- Districts will be required to follow all federal, state, and local regulations and requirements for federal grant administration and fiscal spending of funds.
- The St. Mary's Charter School has been allocated \$1,365,935- to be expended over a 3-year period. The initial \$910,623 (two-thirds) is the subject of this meeting.

ARP ESSER III Purpose: The purpose of the ARP ESSER III funds is to address learning loss and support the safe reopening and sustaining safe operations of schools while meeting students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds address the impact that COVID-19 has had, and continues to have, on elementary and secondary schools. ARP ESSER III grant funds were issued for one-time or short-term types of expenditures to address the identified needs caused by the pandemic. Although long-term uses of the ARP ESSER III funds are also allowable, St. Mary's Academy Charter School makes no assumptions that the state will provide replacement funds for ARP ESSER III in future years.

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St. Mary's Academy Charter School Tentative Plan For ARP ESSER III Funding:

Allowable Activities under ESSER III.

Public Notification and Comments: Your input and comments are requested to help St. Mary's Academy Charter School determine how to prioritize spending of the ARP ESSER III funds. <u>Access</u> the survey online at www.smacs.net, open from June 1-June 7, 2021. St. Mary's Academy Charter School final plan will reflect student and staff needs and incorporate public input and comments.

SMACS Safe Return to School Plan

Ten Items related to the Return to School Plan Will be Presented.

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- V. NEW BUSINESS—DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT TO PURCHASE MODULAR BUILDING COSTING NOT MORE THAN \$550,000.00. MODULAR BUILDING WILL PROVIDE BETTER AIR QUALITY, ALLOW FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING, AND PROVIDE BETTER SPACE FOR SERVING OUR SPECIAL POPULATIONS AND THOSE IN NEED OF COUNSELING.
- VI. ADJOURNMENT.

IF, DURING THE COURSE OF THE MEETING, ANY DISCUSSION OF ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA SHOULD BE HELD IN EXECUTIVE OR CLOSED SESSION, THE BOARD WILL CONVENE IN SUCH EXECUTIVE OR CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS), TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.081 (SCHOOL CHILDREN, SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES, DISCIPLINARY MATTER OF COMPLAINT), TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.0821

(PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENT), OR OTHER APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

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THE NOTICE FOR THIS MEETING WAS POSTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT AT THE ST. MARY'S ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICE, 507 N. FILMORE, BEEVILLE, TX 78102.

Alexis Fiegel-Secretary to the board of Directors	May 30, 2021	1:00PM
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Alexis Fiegel, Secretary for the Board of Directors Date Posted:

Time Posted:

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