



Brookfield Engineering Science Technology Academy

Regular Board Meeting

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Date and Time

Wednesday April 1, 2026 at 10:30 AM PDT

Location

Barker Blue Dog Office
6360 El Cajon Blvd #101
San Diego, CA 92115

BROOKFIELD ENGINEERING SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

College and Career Pathways with Guidance and Support

1704 Cape Horn, Julian, CA 92036

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' PROPOSED AGENDA

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

10:30 a.m. Board Meeting

LOCATION

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San Diego, CA 92115

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MISSION STATEMENT

Brookfield Engineering Science & Technology Academy will harness the power of a flexible learning environment and modern educational technology to serve learners with diverse backgrounds and goals, seeking an educational alternative that stimulates and supports independent learning, provides a strong social-emotional approach, and supports STEM college and career readiness.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE: Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY. The Governing Board's presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure the agenda is completed.

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Board may request assistance by contacting Brookfield Engineering Science and Technology Academy at 833-619-2378.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			10:30 AM
A. Record Attendance / Roll Call	Vote		
Roll Call			
Marcella Nino			
Debra Webb			
Cassandra Bolden			
Grady McGuire			
Gary McCloskey			
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Gary McCloskey	
Board Meeting called to order at _____			
C. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes		
Minutes will be approved at the APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED MOTION FOR CONSENT CALENDAR section further down on the agenda.			
Approve minutes for Regular Board Meeting on February 18, 2026			
II. Pledge of Allegiance			
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III. PUBLIC COMMENTS / RECOGNITION			
IV. CORRESPONDENCE / PROPOSALS / REPORTS / INFORMATION			

Purpose Presenter Time

A. BUDGET / SCHOOL UPDATE

Discuss

1. Fiscal Management Update
 1. Report of expenses incurred over \$10,000
 1. No expenses incurred by either Director over \$10,000
2. School Update
 1. School Safety Plan
 2. 26-27 Employee Handbook
 3. Fall Data
 4. Student AI Use Policy

V. APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED MOTION FOR CONSENT CALENDAR

1. **The board considers all matters under the consent agenda routine and will approve, ratify, and enact them in one motion in the form listed below. Unless a board member specifically requests further discussion or removal from the agenda, these items will not be discussed further prior to the Board vote. Comments by the Board may be made at the discretion of the Chairperson.**

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Vote

CONSENT FOLDER

1. **Minutes: February 18, 2026 Folder**
2. **Expense Reports**
3. **Check Register**

Motion: 1st _____ 2nd: _____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino

Debra Webb

Cassandra Bolden

Grady McGuire

Gary McCloskey

Purpose

Presenter

Time

VI. ACTION ITEMS

- A.** Christy White Certified Public Accountants Contract for 2026-2028 Vote Alex Soriano

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees renew the contract to conduct an audit of the financial statements of BEST Academy, which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2026, 2027, and 2028

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino

Debra Webb

Cassandra Bolden

Grady McGuire

Gary McCloskey

- B.** Update to Board Policy 6158 Independent Study Vote Alex Soriano

It is recommended that the board approve the 2026-2027 Independent Study Policy

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino

Debra Webb

Cassandra Bolden

Grady McGuire

Gary McCloskey

- C.** Renewal of NWEA Benchmark Assessment Contract Vote

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the renewal of NWEA as the benchmark assessment platform.

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino

Debra Webb

Cassandra Bolden

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Grady McGuire Gary McCloskey			
D. Board Policy 6180 Graduation Policy	Vote		
It is recommended the board of trustees approve the updated policy to include special education graduation requirements			
Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____			
Roll Call			
Marcella Nino			
Debra Webb			
Cassandra Bolden			
Grady McGuire			
Gary McCloskey			
E. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4126 Awards for Achievement	Vote	Alex Soriano	
It is recommended that the board of trustees approve the policy to encourage excellence as a goal for all students, and publicly recognize students for exemplary achievement in academic growth, effort, attendance, and extracurricular activities through educational awards.			
Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____			
Roll Call			
Marcella Nino			
Debra Webb			
Cassandra Bolden			
Grady McGuire			
Gary McCloskey			
F. Board Policy 4041 Employee Use of AI	Vote	Alex Soriano	
It is recommended that the board of trustees approve the policy to provide a framework for all BEST Academy employees—including teachers, classified staff, and administrators—to leverage AI responsibly, ethically, and effectively			
Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____			
Roll Call			
Marcella Nino			
Debra Webb			

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Cassandra Bolden Grady McGuire Gary McCloskey			
G. 2026-2027 Parent / Student Handbook	Vote	Alex Soriano	

It is recommended the board of trustees approve the updated handbook

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

- Marcella Nino
- Debra Webb
- Cassandra Bolden
- Grady McGuire
- Gary McCloskey

H. 2026-2027 Written Agreement for Independent Study	Vote	Alex Soriano	
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It is recommended that the board of trustees approve the updated Written Agreement to enroll at BEST Academy

[Written Agreement](#)

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

- Marcella Nino
- Debra Webb
- Cassandra Bolden
- Grady McGuire
- Gary McCloskey

I. Renewal List of Vendor Contracts	Vote		
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It is recommended that the board of trustees approve the list of renewals for platforms used for student support and success.

Motion: 1st_____ 2nd:_____

Roll Call

- Marcella Nino
- Debra Webb
- Cassandra Bolden

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Grady McGuire
Gary McCloskey

J. Summer School Budget Proposal Vote

It is recommended the board of trustees approve the budget for summer school

Motion: 1st _____ 2nd: _____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino
Debra Webb
Cassandra Bolden
Grady McGuire
Gary McCloskey

K. Paid Time Off Adjustment Vote

It is recommended that the board of trustees approve the adjustment from Paid Time Off to Sick Days and Personal Necessity Days

Motion: 1st _____ 2nd: _____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino
Debra Webb
Cassandra Bolden
Grady McGuire
Gary McCloskey

L. 2026-2027 Salary Schedule Vote

It's recommended that the board of trustees approve the salary schedule adjustments

Motion: 1st _____ 2nd: _____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino
Debra Webb
Cassandra Bolden
Grady McGuire
Gary McCloskey

VII. BOARD COMMENTS

Purpose

Presenter

Time

VIII. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

IX. Closing Items

A. Regular Board Meetings

FYI

- ~~August 27, 2025, Organizational Board Meeting~~
- ~~October 1, 2025~~
- ~~November 5, 2025~~
- ~~December 3, 2025~~
- ~~January 28, 2026~~
- ~~Added: February 18, 2026~~
- ~~February 25, 2026 Cancelled~~
- ~~April 1, 2026~~
- ~~May 6, 2026~~
- ~~June 3, 2026~~
- ~~June 10, 2026, may change based on the Graduation date~~

B. Adjourn Meeting

Vote

Motion to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at:

Motion: 1st _____ 2nd: _____

Roll Call

Marcella Nino

Debra Webb

Cassandra Bolden

Grady McGuire

Gary McCloskey