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## Adelante Schools

### Minutes

#### Adelante Schools Board Meeting

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##### Date and Time

Friday November 17, 2023 at 8:30 AM

##### Location

Emma Donnan Elementary and Middle School  
1202 E Troy Ave.  
Indianapolis, IN 46203  
Scholar Center, Floor 2

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##### Goals:

1. Approve organizational foundational tools and policies to govern our school and operate effectively.
2. Deepen our understanding of Adelante's Emma Donnan operational state and provide any necessary support and guidance.

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##### Directors Present

A. Smith (remote), B. Burcope, K. Kainrath, M. Staten (remote), M. Whitley (remote), N. Frech, R. Scott (remote), S. Simpson (remote)

##### Directors Absent

None

##### Guests Present

E. Rangel, M. Rooney

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

K. Kainrath called a meeting of the board of directors of Adelante Schools to order on Friday Nov 17, 2023 at 9:03 AM.

### **B. Record Attendance**

### **C. Public Comment**

### **D. Approve Minutes**

M. Whitley made a motion to approve the minutes from Adelante Schools Board Meeting <NEW DATE> on 10-27-23.

M. Staten seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

S. Simpson Aye

M. Whitley Aye

N. Frech Aye

M. Staten Aye

B. Burcope Aye

A. Smith Aye

R. Scott Abstain

K. Kainrath Aye

## **II. Executive Director Update**

### **A. Ebullience & Spotlight**

Kendra Randle, Executive Principal, was the recipient of a \$25,000 Millken Educator Award, a nationwide award celebrating outstanding achievements in education.

Dayla Bedford, 1st grade teacher, was highlighted by Teach Like a Champion's Doug Lemov on a blog titled, "Foundational Literacy isn't easy but Dayla Bedford shows the way."

## **III. Finance & Operations**

### **A. Consent Vote: Approval of October Transactions**

Agenda item to vote on the October transactions need to be tabled because we currently don't have that information available due to the budget updating from last board meeting's vote.

#### **IV. Committee Updates**

##### **A. Academic Excellence**

No update.

##### **B. Finance & Development**

##### **C. Governance**

###### **Recruiting**

A candidate has agreed to move forward after multiple touch points for the Treasurer position. Has a background in accounting, Hoosier native, and a finance specialist. Has prior non-profit board experience, including setting up schools in Nicaragua. He will be moving forward with a vote at the next board meeting.

###### **Succession Plan**

Will be submitted to OEI after review & updates.

#### **V. Board Chair Update**

##### **A. OEI Reporting Requirements**

Three board members in person are required. Kainrath asked that members review the agenda and do what they can to be in-person to be in compliance with Indiana Open Door Law. Every board member should plan to attend at least 50% of board meetings in person.

Over the next three months, Kainrath will be running 1:1 board member check-ins and will be scheduling those individually with members.

New item:

The board received an "Adopt a Family" email & Scott wanted to follow-up that there isn't a Donate Now button on the website. Another idea is to connect directly with Emma Donnan alumni to build a community of support.

New item:

Staten wanted to ask about the update regarding monthly updates for "board education." A contracted consultant could lean in to support & organize this item from the past meeting.

#### **VI. Closing Items**

##### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
N. Frech

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