



Environmental Charter Schools

Finance Committee Meeting

By Teleconference/Zoom

Date and Time

Fri Oct 22, 2021 at 8:30 AM PDT

Location

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86746735522?pwd=eG5RVHI4ZURqeXBwVm1YS2E0WTK5Zz09>

Optional

- Call-in only: (669) 900-6833 (Meeting ID: 867 4673 5522, Passcode: 425920)
 - Two-way Teleconference Location: 2625 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Suite 100, Redondo Beach, CA 90278
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Finance Committee Members

Tracy Bondi - Chair

Farnaz Golshani-Flechner

Ken Deemer

Denise Berger

Bruce Greenspon

Alison Diaz

Finance Committee Charter

- Provides financial oversight for the organization
 - In conjunction with staff and other stakeholders, develops an annual operating budget and recommends for board approval
 - Monitors adherence to budget and recommends changes, if necessary
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- Sets long-term financial goals with funding strategies to achieve them
- Considers special, unbudgeted requests and make recommendations to board
- Develops multi-year operating budgets that tie to strategic plan
- Ensures adequacy of financial controls and monitor for compliance
- Ensure Financial literacy of Board Members by providing training

Goals for 2020-2021

- Engage board in a critical assessment of the budget as it relates to organizational priorities and goals
- Hold a yearly ECS financial training course
- Ensure school budgets and cash flows are transparent, supportable, and sustainable
- Support ECHS #2's financial objectives in the facilities development and school startup process
- Collaborate with Menlo Charter Properties to refinance loans at ECMS- Gardena

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.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS AT STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Notice is hereby given that consistent with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentation will be for information only. The public should be aware that the Committee is unable by law to deliberate or take action on items raised during the Presentations from the Floor section.

Environmental Charter Schools recognizes that it benefits greatly from public input and perspective. Individuals are invited to address the Committee on any topic or subject matter that falls within the Committee's purview. Speakers may sign up in person immediately prior to the beginning of the Committee meeting by speaking with the Committee Chair.

Should a member of the public wish to speak on matters not listed on the agenda, they may speak during the Presentations from the Floor section of the agenda. Speakers will be given a maximum of three (3) minutes each to address the Committee (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of six (6) minutes each). Please note that the Committee allows a maximum of 10 minutes to each subject as determined by the Committee Chair.

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Agenda

I. Opening Items

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- A. Record attendance and guests
- B. Call the Meeting to Order
- C. Approve agenda

II. Presentations from the Floor

A. Presentation from the floor on non agenda items

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B. Presentations from the floor on agenda items

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III. Discussion Items / Updates

A. EdTec financial update

- [Financial Update](#)
- [ECHS-L Income and Cash Flow Statements](#)
- [ECMS-G Income and Cash Flow Statements](#)
- [ECMS-I Income and Cash Flow Statements](#)
- [ECHS-G Income and Cash Flow Statements](#)

B. Update: Educator Effectiveness Funding Plans

- [ECHSL - Educator Effectiveness Funding 2021-26 Plan](#)
- [ECMSG - Educator Effectiveness Funding 2021-26 Plan](#)
- [ECMSI - Educator Effectiveness Funding 2021-26 Plan](#)

C. Discussion: Management of ECS fund balances

- [ECS Facilities Presentation](#)

D. Discussion: ECS Financial policies - going out to bid for large contracts

IV. Consent Items A-E

A. Recommend board approval of 9/17/2021 Finance Committee meeting minutes

B. Recommend board acceptance of private donations over \$1,000

- [List of private donations](#)

C. Recommend board approval of check registers and credit card statements

- Check registers: [March 2021](#), [April 2021](#), [May 2021](#), [June 2021](#), [July 2021](#)
- Credit card statements: [February 2021](#), [March 2021](#), [April 2021](#), [May 2021](#), [June 2021](#)

D. Recommend board approval of contracts

- [Varsity Tutors contract](#)
- Naturalists At Large outdoor education trip contracts
 - [ECHS-L 11th grade](#)

- [ECHS-L 12th grade](#)

E. Recommend board approval of Outdoor Education Program Grant Authorizing Resolution

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V. Action Items

A. Recommend board approval of 21/22 Finance Committee Goals

*(changes from previous year in **bold**):*

- Engage board in a critical assessment of the budget as it relates to organizational priorities and goals (no change)
- Hold a yearly ECS financial training course (no change)
- Ensure school budgets and cash flows are transparent, supportable, and sustainable (no change)
- Support ECHS #2's financial objectives in the facilities development and school startup process (no change)
- Collaborate with Menlo Charter Properties to refinance loans at ECMS-Gardena **and ECMS-Inglewood** (new)

B. Recommend board approval of ESSER III Expenditure Plan

- ECS ESSER III Expenditure Plan
 - [Executive Summary](#)
 - [Expenditure Plan](#)

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting