



# Environmental Charter Schools

## Special Board of Directors' Meeting

### Date and Time

Monday May 18, 2026 at 5:00 PM PDT

### Location

**In-person location:** ECS Home Office - 2625 Manhattan Beach Blvd #100, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

**Two-way teleconference locations:** ECMS-Gardena (812 W. 165th Place, Gardena, CA 90247) | ECMS-Inglewood (3600 W Imperial Hwy, Inglewood, CA 90303) | ECHS-Lawndale (16315 Grevillea Ave. Lawndale, CA 90260) | ECHS-Gardena (2818 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Gardena, CA 90249) | 1100 Shasta Avenue, San Jose, CA 95126 | 13885 Dogleg Lane, Broomfield, CO 80023 | 2620 Jones St, San Francisco, CA 94133 | 3011 Elm St., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 | 2001 Palm Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 | 3513 Walnut Avenue Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 | 8750 El Tovar Pl, West Hollywood, CA 90069 | 4163 Sea View Lane, Los Angeles, CA 90065 | 14407 Larch Ave, Lawndale, CA 90260 | 402 Alpine Street, Pasadena, CA 91106

ECS Board Members	Term	and	End Date
Dr. Betsy Hamilton, President.....	3 years		June 30, 2028
Ms. Zena Fong, Vice President.....	3 years		June 30, 2026
Dr. Denise Berger, .....	3 years		June 30, 2026
Mr. Anthony Jowid.....	3 years		June 30, 2028
Dr. Madhu Chatwani.....	3 years		June 30, 2026
Mr. Kennedy Hilario.....	3 years		June 30, 2026
Mr. Herb Sims.....	3 years		June 30, 2028
Mr. Mason Williams.....	3 years		June 30, 2028
Mr. Andrew Ellenbogen.....	3 years		June 30, 2026
Mr. Remco Waller.....	3 years		June 30, 2028
Lawndale Elementary School District Representative, Rotating Position			

## ECS Staff

Ms. Danielle Kelsick, Superintendent

Ms. Lucia Bañuelos, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Tracy Bondi, Director of Finance

Mr. Jeremiah David, Director of Compliance & Operations

Ms. Sarah Jamieson, Director of Human Resources

Ms. Jen Fenton, Director of Strategic Initiatives

Dr. Shalene Wright, Director of SpEd & English Language Development

Mr. Cesar Delgado, Director of Student Wellness

Dr. Geneva Matthews, Principal at ECMS-Inglewood

Mr. Dave Trejo, Principal at ECMS-Gardena

Dr. Beth Bernstein-Yamashiro, Principal at ECHS-Gardena

Ms. Jennifer Larsen, Principal at ECHS-Lawndale

## **Mission:**

Reimagine public education in low-income communities of color to prepare conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world.

## **Values:**

**JUSTICE** - We examine bias, racism, and prejudice. We deliver culturally-responsive curricula. We succeed when students' race and class cease to predict their level of achievement.

**COMMUNITY** - We care. We collaborate. We respect the rights and voices of our stakeholders.

**CURIOSITY** - We question. We explore. We innovate.

**SUSTAINABILITY** - We think globally and act locally. We adapt. We encourage systems thinking to create a sustainable future.

**LEADERSHIP** - We listen. We think critically. We advocate. We shift public discourse. We are our own superheroes.

## **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 BOARD MEETINGS**

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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 Board 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 Board on any topic or subject matter that falls within the Environmental Charter School's purview. Speakers may sign up in person immediately prior to the beginning of the Board meeting by turning in a Speaker Form (available at the check-in table in English and Spanish).

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 Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of six (6) minutes each). Please note that the Board allows a maximum of 10 minutes to each subject as determined by the Board's presiding officer.

Should a member of the public wish to speak on matters listed on the agenda, they may speak during the Presentations from the Floor section of the agenda. Speakers will be given a maximum of five (5) minutes each to address the Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of ten (10) minutes each).

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**REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY**

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**Agenda**

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>5:00 PM</b>

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Opening Items			
A.	Record attendance and guests	Dr. Betsy Hamilton	1 m
B.	Call the Meeting to Order	Dr. Betsy Hamilton	1 m
C.	Approve the agenda	Vote Dr. Betsy Hamilton	1 m
<i>Note any agenda items to be tabled or reordered.</i>			

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## II. Presentations from the Floor 5:03 PM

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| A. | Presentations from the floor on non-agenda Items | FYI | 10 m |
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| B. | Presentations from the floor on agenda items | FYI | 10 m |
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## III. Transition to Closed Session 5:23 PM

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| A. | Adjourn to closed session | Vote | Dr. Betsy Hamilton | 1 m |
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## IV. Closed Session 5:24 PM

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| A. | PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code § 54957) | Discuss |  | 34 m |
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Title: Superintendent

## V. Report out of Closed Session 5:58 PM

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Report out	FYI	Dr. Betsy Hamilton	1 m
<b>VI. Closing Items</b>			<b>5:59 PM</b>
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Dr. Betsy Hamilton	1 m