



# Environmental Charter Schools

## Minutes

### Menlo Charter Properties

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#### Date and Time

Friday April 21, 2017 at 10:00 AM

#### Location

16315 Grevillea Ave. Lawndale, CA 90260 Call-In Location: 1055 W. 7th St. Suite 3050 Los Angeles, CA 90017

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#### Board Members

Mr. Ken Deemer  
Mr. Bruce Greenspon  
Mr. Bradley Jewett  
Mr. John Quiter  
Mr. Alan Fox

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#### **Directors Present**

Alison Diaz, Anthony Jowid, Bradley Jewett (remote), Bruce Greenspon, John Quiter, Ken Deemer

#### **Directors Absent**

Alan Fox

#### **Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

John Quiter

#### **Guests Present**

Alayna Santos, Dani Hughes, Tracy Bondi

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

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

Bruce Greenspon called a meeting of the board of directors of Environmental Charter Schools to order on Friday Apr 21, 2017 at 10:04 AM.

### **II. Review and Approval of Agenda**

#### **A. Motion to approve the agenda**

Ken Deemer made a motion to approve the agenda.

Bruce Greenspon seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

John Quiter	Absent
Ken Deemer	Aye
Bruce Greenspon	Aye
Alan Fox	Absent
Bradley Jewett	Aye

## **B. Approve Previous Board Meeting Minutes**

Bruce Greenspon made a motion to approve the 9/8/16 Board minutes.

Ken Deemer seconded the motion.

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

### **Roll Call**

Bradley Jewett	Aye
Ken Deemer	Aye
Bruce Greenspon	Aye
John Quiter	Absent
Alan Fox	Absent

## **III. Presentations from the Floor**

### **A. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

No public presented.

### **B. PRESENTATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

No public presented.

## **IV. LLC / Site Updates**

### **A. Lawndale LLC / ECHS Update**

There is currently no active relationship between ECHS and Lawndale LLC. Originally, a lease agreement was going to be signed but that is on hold until any LESD concerns are alleviated. Lawndale LLC still owns the Honda shed - it will be moved to the Inglewood site over the summer. All transactions that originally went between ECHS and Lawndale were backed out.

### **B. Yukon / ECMSI Update**

Ms. Hadden presented to the committee. The schedule is tracking toward May 9 completion. Lighting is in, exterior painting and final panels are being completed. Paver stones are being put down. The temporary office modulars are in the way of some final landscaping so the hope is they can move into a couple classrooms in order to allow for removal of the modulars. They will have to get approval from the inspector. She expects occupancy to be completed the third week of May as long as the city has no issues.

Thanks to the work of Mr. Kim getting the permit fees refunded, the budget is only tracking about \$13k over, while about \$90k was earmarked from ECMSI's budget for overage. There also is contingency left and change orders are minimal. Unexpected costs include Mr. Bushore's contract, security required for the church, the brick veneer, and a few other items.

After doing research with Musick Peeler, it was determined that drafting a letter to Inglewood for the district fees reduction was not going to be successful so it wasn't worth the legal fees.

John Quiter arrived.

**C. Menlo LLC / ECMSG Update**

The revised scope and contract have all been approved and now the project is out to bid again. The hope is to be able to complete the project over the summer.

The one thing standing in the way of LEED certification is installing sound panels to dampen sound reverberation. The bids received so far are cost prohibitive. There is a hope for a local company donating services.

**V. Finance Updates**

**A. Review YTD financials**

Ms. Bondi reviewed the financials as of 3/31/17.

**B. Review 2015/16 Audit report**

Ms. Bondi shared the FY15/16 audit report.

**C. Explore refinancing our loans**

Dan Marillo has been advising Ms. Diaz. He recommends refinancing all facilities under one deal. A bond deal is good because it would be a 30 year term and rates are really low. Ms. Diaz will be working on vetting the packages and bring it back to the committee.

**VI. Action Items**

**A. Accept Alan Fox resignation from board**

Bruce Greenspon made a motion to accept Alan Fox's resignation from the Board.

Ken Deemer seconded the motion.

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

**B. Elect Anthony Jowid to the board**

Bruce Greenspon made a motion to elect Anthony Jowid as a member of the Board for a XX term.

Ken Deemer seconded the motion.

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

**VII. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

Bruce Greenspon made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ken Deemer seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:48 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bruce Greenspon