



# Environmental Charter Schools

## Minutes

### Governance Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday May 31, 2017 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

2401 Pine Avenue, Manhattan Beach, CA - 90266

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#### Governance Committee Members

Denise Berger - Chair

Tracy Bondi

Ken Deemer

Alison Diaz

Bruce Greenspon

Jane Wyche

#### Governance Committee Charter

- Recommends policies and processes for effective governance.
- Evaluates Board, Chairperson and in collaboration with the Board, review's the Executive Director.
- Recruits, recommends and trains new board members.
- Set goals for the annual board retreat.
- Stewards the strategic plan and planning process.
- Develops metrics / scorecard to monitor effectiveness of organization and its programs.
- Plans for succession of board members and Executive Director.

#### Goals for 2016-2017

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- Dashboard revised to align to LCAP and Strategic Plan
- Pipeline of future ECS Board members
- Establish the process for the annual review of the Board, Chair and ED
- Establish timeline and process for next phase of strategic planning - completing 2017-2020 Strategic plan
- Review evaluation procedures for all staff, teachers, and administrators

#### **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.

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#### **Committee Members Present**

Alison Diaz, Bruce Greenspon, Dr. Denise Berger, Jane Wyche, Ken Deemer, Tracy Bondi (remote)

#### **Committee Members Absent**

*None*

#### **Guests Present**

Dani Hughes

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### **I. Opening Items**

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

#### **B.**

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

Ken Deemer called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Environmental Charter Schools to order on Wednesday May 31, 2017 at 6:02 PM.

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

### **A. Motion to Approve the Agenda**

Bruce Greenspon made a motion to Approve the agenda.  
Dr. Denise Berger seconded the motion.  
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **B. Approve Previous Governance Committee Minutes**

Jane Wyche made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 04-28-17 Governance Committee Meeting on 04-28-17.  
Alison Diaz seconded the motion.  
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **III. Presentation from the Floor**

### **A. Presentation from the Floor on Non Agenda Items**

No members of the public were present.

### **B. Presentation on the Agenda**

There were no presentations on the agenda.

## **IV. Discussion Items / Updates**

### **A. Draft of the LCAP for each site**

Ms. Cotler presented to the committee the LCAPs for each site.

### **B. Board Membership**

Ms. Diaz reported on the Board recruitment efforts.

### **C. 2017-2018 Board Terms, Offices and Committee Membership**

Ms. Diaz presented the proposal for new Board officers and committee members.

### **D. 2017-2018 Board and Committee Calendars**

Ms. Diaz presented the proposed Board calendar. The committee calendars will be determined after the committee membership is finalized.

### **E. Equity And Diversity Next Steps**

Adam Miller has taken a Board position with another non-profit and will not continue as a fellow with ECS. Ms. Diaz will share his research with the committee. Ms. Diaz recommended that the Equity and Diversity Committee take over responsibility for managing and tracking progress toward Board diversification and assisting with Board training on Equity and Diversity.

**F. Strategic Planning Next Steps**

The Committee will schedule a meeting specific for Strategic Planning.

**G. Update on action items from previous committee meetings**

Alison, Anthony and Ken will look at that document and create a strategy for the Board to become more effective.

The anti-bullying policy has been updated.

The committee asked that all of the Board Officer's job descriptions are up to date on Box.

**V. Action Items**

**A. Recommend Approval of the LCAPs for each site**

Ken Deemer made a motion to recommend approval of the LCAPs.

Bruce Greenspon seconded the motion.

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

**B. Recommend the following regarding board membership terms and offices**

Ken Deemer made a motion to recommend approval of the Board membership as enumerated on the agenda.

Dr. Denise Berger seconded the motion.

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

**C. Recommend Approval of the 2017-2018 Board and Committee Calendars**

Ken Deemer made a motion to recommend approval of the Board calendar as proposed.

Bruce Greenspon seconded the motion.

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

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Review and Make Note of Actions Items**

This was done above in the Discussion Items.

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ken Deemer