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# Environmental Charter Schools

# Minutes

## Special Board Meeting

**Date and Time**
Wednesday August 2, 2017 at 5:00 PM

**Location**
16315 Grevillea Ave. Lawndale, CA 90260 / 2401 Pine Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 / 409 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite E. Santa Monica, CA 90401 / 3011 Elm St., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 / 590 Rosecrans Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 / 325 S. Peck Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 / 4161 W. 147th St., Lawndale, CA 90260 / 2850 6th Ave. # 110, San Diego, CA 92103 / Zoom: Join from PC or Mac: https://zoom.us/j/961528902 Or Telephone:+1 408 638 0968 (US Toll) Meeting ID: 961 528 902

| ECS Board Members | Term | and | End Date |
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| Mr. Ken Deemer, President | 3 years | | June 30, 2019 |
| Mr. Anthony Jowid, Vice President | 2 years | | June 30, 2019 |
| Mr. Bruce Greenspon, Treasurer | 1 year | | June 30, 2018 |
| Ms. Denise Berger, Secretary | 3 years | | June 30, 2020 |
| Ms. Farnaz Golshani–Flechner | 3 years | | June 30, 2018 |
| Mr. Jorge Arroyo | 1 years | | June 30, 2018 |
| Ms. Jenni Owen | 3 years | | June 30, 2019 |

**ECS Staff**
Ms. Alison Diaz, Executive Director & Founder
Ms. Kami Cotler, Director of Strategic Initiative
Ms. Tracy Bondi, Director of Finance and Operations
Ms. Danielle Kelsick, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Ms. Makeisa Gaines, Director of Talent Management

Mr. Jeremiah David, Special Projects and Operations Manager
Mr. Robert Gloria, Principal at ECMS - Gardena
Ms. Beth Bernstein, Principal at ECMS - Inglewood
Ms. KC Villoria, Principal at ECHS

**Mission**
To create and deliver vibrant, innovative, interdisciplinary learning opportunities using the environment to engage students and connect them to the wider world.

**Vision**
Our vision is that students are equipped with the knowledge and skills to graduate from college, inspired to discover their own sense of purpose and empowered to become quality stewards of their own communities.

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Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.
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**Directors Present**
Alison Diaz, Anthony Jowid, Bruce Greenspon, Farnaz Golshani-Flechner, Ken Deemer, LESD Representative

**Directors Absent**
Dr. Denise Berger, Jenni Owen

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**Guests Present**
Dani Hughes, Jeremiah Rosario David

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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 board of directors of Environmental Charter Schools to order on Wednesday Aug 2, 2017 at 5:02 PM.

## II. Review and Approval of Agenda

### A. Motion to approve the agenda

LESD Representative made a motion to Approve the meeting agenda.
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

| **Roll Call** | |
|---|---|
| Bruce Greenspon | Aye |
| Dr. Denise Berger | Absent |
| Farnaz Golshani-Flechner | Aye |
| Alison Diaz | Aye |
| Anthony Jowid | Aye |
| Ken Deemer | Aye |
| Jenni Owen | Absent |
| LESD Representative | Aye |

## III. Presentations from the Floor

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

None

### B. PRESENTATIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

## IV. Action Items

### A. Approve the La Loma Contract to green the ECMS Inglewood Campus

Farnaz Golshani-Flechner made a motion to approve the La Loma Contract to green the ECMS Inglewood Campus. After motion was seconded the following was discussed:

Jorge asked what it meant to for a site to look like ECHS. Alison explained that ECHS is our model site and we are striving to have both our middle school campuses look green like the high school and for each middle school to build green features e.g., living stream, cistern, water capture, gardens, compost stations, art and more.
Anthony Jowid seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| Jenni Owen | Absent |
| Bruce Greenspon | Aye |
| Dr. Denise Berger | Absent |
| Anthony Jowid | Aye |
| Alison Diaz | Aye |
| Farnaz Golshani-Flechner | Aye |
| LESD Representative | Aye |
| Ken Deemer | Aye |

### B. Approve the Lease for Additional Office Office Space for ECHS.

Farnaz Golshani-Flechner made a motion to approve the Lease for Additional Office Office Space for ECHS. Committee members discussed the purpose for the site. Alison explained there was insufficient space at the high school. This additional location would offer team members more space to work, hold meetings, and for professional development.
LESD Representative seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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|---|---|
| Bruce Greenspon | Aye |
| Farnaz Golshani-Flechner | Aye |
| Anthony Jowid | Aye |
| Dr. Denise Berger | Absent |
| Alison Diaz | Aye |
| Jenni Owen | Absent |
| LESD Representative | Aye |
| Ken Deemer | Aye |

## V. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

Anthony Jowid made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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| LESD Representative | Aye |
| Alison Diaz | Aye |

**Roll Call**

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|---|---|
| Jenni Owen | Absent |
| Anthony Jowid | Aye |
| Dr. Denise Berger | Absent |
| Farnaz Golshani-Flechner | Aye |
| Ken Deemer | Aye |
| Bruce Greenspon | Aye |

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ken Deemer