

# **Environmental Charter Schools**

# **Minutes**

# **Development Committee Meeting**

# **Date and Time**

Friday January 19, 2018 at 8:00 AM

#### Location

Via zoom (https://zoom.us/j/612278801)

# **Development Committee Members**

Julie Vo, Co-Chair Denise Berger, Co-Chair Alison Diaz Cathy Creasia Lindsey Jurca Lucy Tseng

#### Guests

Alli Takido Justin Thongsavanh

# **Development Committee Charter**

- Partners with staff to develop sustainable, long-term financial resources to support the organization's mission and strategic plan
- Reviews and proposes plans for fundraising, including capital campaigns, grant proposals, individual giving, program giving, special events, and campaigns,
- Sets and reviews Board 'give / get' expectation
- Participates in planning, organizing, hosting and/or sponsoring fundraising activities

 Note: Committee is NOT responsible for raising money, but helps to ensure that funds are raised. Encourages all board members to participate in the process

#### Committee Goals 2017-2018

- Monitor and report progress on board of directors' individual commitment forms.
- Monitor the success and support the execution of the fundraising plan
- Review upcoming events, foundation proposals (for reference) and prospective funders/donors and make introductions as appropriate.
- Ensures the board is equipped with the necessary tools and knowledge to support a culture of fundraising
- Prospect individuals, strategies and resources to support fundraising and development goals

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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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#### **Committee Members Present**

Cathy Creasia (remote), Dr. Denise Berger (remote), Julie Vo (remote), Lucy Tseng (remote)

# **Committee Members Absent**

Alison Diaz, Lindsey Jurca

#### **Guests Present**

Justin Thongsavanh (remote), Ken Deemer (remote)

# I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

Julie Vo called a meeting of the Development Committee of Environmental Charter Schools to order on Friday Jan 19, 2018 at 8:03 AM.

# II. Review and Approval of Agenda

# A. Motion to Approve the Agenda

Dr. Denise Berger made a motion to Approve agenda.

Lucy Tseng seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Lindsey Jurca Absent
Lucy Tseng Aye
Cathy Creasia Aye
Alison Diaz Absent
Julie Vo Aye
Dr. Denise Berger Aye

# B. Approve Previous Development Committee Meeting Minutes from November 17

Dr. Denise Berger made a motion to approve minutes.

Lucy Tseng seconded the motion.

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

# **Roll Call**

Lindsey Jurca Absent
Dr. Denise Berger Aye
Lucy Tseng Aye
Julie Vo Aye
Cathy Creasia Aye
Alison Diaz Absent
Ken Deemer Abstain
Justin Thongsavanh Abstain

# III. Discussion Items / Updates

# A. Action Item Update

JV checking back in with everyone's action items from our last meeting. Sent a brief summary of latest development updates.

Cathy: sent out her follow-up emails. TY for the template, no word back from anyone yet though.

Lucy: CC'd JV on everyone their email.

Denise: Followed up with her folks, received one response and she is interested in getting involved. Contact is from Shade Hotel/Zislis group. Would like to ask Ken to help follow-up with Shannon Ryan (MB Rotary). Will forward email to Ken and invite the others to upcoming events.

JV: Feel free to cc me on any emails sent

Ken: MB Rotary gave \$5000 grant to ECS to go towards Bruce Scholarship fund.

JV: Would like to show appreciation to Rotary in a meaningful way. Will touch base with Ken separately.

Ken: Contact is new grants contact at Patagonia. Let's think about how we might approach that.

JV: We have a relationship with the Patagonia store in Pasadena. Have submitted grants but so far, unsuccessful. Great contact.

**Updates on Upcoming Events:** 

2/2/18 - Community Forum - great to invite new friends because students are in action.

2/22/18 - Author and Progressive Educator Leader Deborah Meier Cathy thinks the event should be held at Gardena and would support the improvement of campus culture.

JV: We're looking for mini-sponsors to support event expenses and hosting of the speakers

#### **B. DEV COMMITTEE SHORT LIST**

JV: Please review this working document and add to our short-list for discussion.

#### C. IDEA FOR NEXT IN-PERSON MEETING

Denise: We'd like to have new board members attend the next in-person dev. committee meeting on February 9. We can review Development 101, giving them insight on the programs to pitch and how to keep eyes and ears open. Thoughts? Yes!

JV: Also an opportunity for us to brainstorm and strategize with them and we can all walk away with an individualized action plan.

Ken: Good idea. We should ask each board member to attend one of every committee meeting at least once a year. Give them a schedule and let them choose which to attend.

Denise: goal is to make it more workshop-like, so wants to encourage strongly that everyone attend this one together.

JV will make the invitation to Zena, Ernie, and Anthony to attend next meeting on FEBRUARY 9.

# **IV. Upcoming Events**

#### A. School-Site Tours

Please invite people to attend

# V. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

Julie Vo made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Dr. Denise Berger seconded the motion.

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

### Roll Call

Dr. Denise Berger Aye Lindsey Jurca Absent

Cathy Creasia Aye
Julie Vo Aye
Alison Diaz Absent
Lucy Tseng Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Vo