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Environmental Charter Schools

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

By Teleconference/Zoom

Date and Time
Thursday January 21, 2021 at 3:00 PM

Location
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Governance Committee Members
Ken Deemer - Chair
Anthony Jowid
Alison Diaz
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner
Jeremiah David

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 2019-2020

- Use the ECS Strategic Benchmark Chart to measure and support ECS' success.
- Complete evaluations of Executive Director and self-evaluation of the ECS Board of Directors.
- Recruit at least one additional board member to the ECS Board of Directors and strengthen board pipeline.

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Committee Members Present
Alison Diaz (remote), Anthony Jowid (remote), Farnaz Golshani-Flechner (remote), Jeremiah Rosario David (remote), Ken Deemer (remote)

Committee Members Absent
None

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 Thursday Jan 21, 2021 at 3:02 PM.

C. Motion to Approve the Agenda

Anthony Jowid made a motion to approve the agenda.
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Jeremiah Rosario David	Aye
Alison Diaz	Aye
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner	Aye
Ken Deemer	Aye
Anthony Jowid	Aye

II. Presentation from the Floor

A. Presentation from the Floor on Non Agenda Items

None.

B. Presentation From the Floor on Agenda Items

None.

III. Discussion Items

A. Review Strategic Priorities Benchmark Chart

CEO Farnaz Golshani-Flechner presented the Strategic Priorities Benchmark Chart:

Tier 2 and Tier 3 intervention rates were reviewed and were concluded to be holding steady, with extra attention and support given due to ECMS-G's Tier 3 rate being on the higher side of expectations.

Tech interventions each month continue to decrease as students and staff are supported by the Help Desk team with consistent communication and long-term resolutions.

Food service meal pick-up rates have steadily increased over the past several months, nonetheless, the Committee discussed ways in which this service can be further expanded to serve more students.

The Committee proceeded to review Reading Apprenticeship, math engagement, and GPA rates.

Monthly average attendance rates were reviewed with ECMS-I noted as having a stellar attendance rate, due to their close follow-up with absent students.

The Committee concluded this session by recommending that a brief update with a highlighted color indicating progress status be added for each priority goal. The purpose of this enhancement is to provide the board with visibility to the overall view of progress status for each priority goal.

B. Feedback on upcoming board agenda

The Committee reviewed the upcoming 1/26/21 board agenda and recommended no changes. Committee members resolved to assist in planning and preparing icebreaker/opener activities for future board meetings.

C. Feedback on board and committee meetings

Tabled.

D. Discuss 20/21 Governance Committee goals

By consensus, the Committee decided to remove the prior year committee goal "Recruit at least one additional board member to the ECS Board of Directors and strengthen board pipeline." since the ECS board has already added three new board members in the current school year. No other changes were recommended.

IV. Action Items

A. Recommend 20/21 Governance Committee goals

20/21 proposed committee goals:

- Use the ECS Strategic Benchmark Chart to measure and support ECS' success.
- Complete evaluations of Executive Director and self-evaluation of the ECS Board of Directors.

Farnaz Golshani-Flechner made a motion to recommend 20/21 Governance Committee goals to the ECS board.
Alison Diaz seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Jeremiah Rosario David	Aye
Alison Diaz	Aye
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner	Aye
Ken Deemer	Aye
Anthony Jowid	Aye

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Ken Deemer made a motion to adjourn meeting.
Anthony Jowid seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Alison Diaz	Aye
Anthony Jowid	Aye
Jeremiah Rosario David	Aye
Farnaz Golshani-Flechner	Aye
Ken Deemer	Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ken Deemer