



Equitas Academy Charter School

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday August 25, 2022 at 3:00 PM PDT

Location

Equitas Academy #2: 2723 W 8th St, Los Angeles, CA 90005

Additional Call-in Location: 13427 Cumpston Street, Sherman Oaks, CA 91401

Topic: August Board Meeting

Time: Aug 25, 2022 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			3:00 PM
Opening Items			
A. Record Attendance and Guests		Cecilia Melgares	1 m
B. Board findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)	Vote	Tyler Bell	1 m
<p>The Charter School Board of Directors determines, in accordance with Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)(B), that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3), the Board has also reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor on March 4, 2020, and finds the State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the Directors to meet safely in person and/or that State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.</p>			
C. Call the Meeting to Order		Tyler Bell	
D. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Catie Langston	

Board to approve minutes from 6/23/2022 meeting.

Approve minutes for Board Meeting on June 23, 2022

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II. Public Comment			3:02 PM

A. Public Comment	FYI	Tyler Bell	1 m
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III. Closed Session			3:03 PM
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A. Closed Session - Conference with legal counsel	Discuss	John Lemmo	25 m
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CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION

(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9)

Name of case: *Equitas Academy Charter School v. LAUSD et al.*

IV. Brown Act Training			3:28 PM
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A. Brown Act Training	FYI	Kate Farrar	35 m
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Per LAUSD oversight requirements, our board participates in yearly training on Brown Act training, which requires us to conduct all business in open sessions (except in limited circumstances).

V. Consent			4:03 PM
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A. Independent Study Policy	Vote	Maggie Ford	1 m
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Board to vote to approve the Independent Study Policy to allow us to provide remote instruction to students below the threshold of 20% as allowable by our charters.

B. Consolidated Application for Federal Funding	Vote	Maggie Ford	1 m
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Board to approve the FY22-23 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding.

C. Renewal of Line of Credit with Capital Impact Partners	Vote	Slav Sobkov	1 m
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Board to approve Delegation of Authority to the CEO and COO to renew the Line of Credit with Capital Impact Partners (CIP).

VI. Organizational Updates			4:06 PM
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A. 21-22 LAUSD Oversight Reports	Discuss	Cecilia Melgares	2 m
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On an annual basis LAUSD works with each school to conduct an audit and assess the following buckets: Governance, Student Achievement and Educational Performance, Organizational Management, Programs, and Operations, Compliance with Clearance, and Fiscal Oversight. The Board will review the reports below. Here

Purpose Presenter Time
 is a [document](#) with an overview on our results for the 21-22 SY and below have attached the full report for each school.

B. Review of FY22 Unaudited financial statements.	Vote	Slav Sobkov	3 m
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The board will review of FY22 Unaudited financial statements.

C. Credential Limited Assignment Options (LAO)	Vote	Jessica Edelman	1 m
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Board to vote on Credential Limited Assignment Options (LAO).

[Limited Assignment Options - EC 44256\(b\) and EC 44258.3 - Google Docs](#)

D. Update to Bank Accounts	Vote	Maggie Ford	1 m
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Approval by Board to remove Malka Borrego add Dr. Sofia Roditti to the following bank accounts as signer:

Pacific Western Bank: Equitas Academy Charter Inc ***8200
 California Credit Union ***9889

E. Open Business Account with American Express	Vote	Maggie Ford	1 m
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Approval by Board to open a business account with American Express authorizing the issuance of cards to its CEO Sofia Roditti and it's COO Margaret Ford.

VII. Resource Development 4:14 PM

A. Committee Goals	Discuss	Catie Langston	10 m
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Committee to approve FY22-23 goals and meeting sequence.

[Development Goals Brainstorm - Google Docs](#)

VIII. Academic Accountability 4:24 PM

A. Committee Goals	Discuss	Alyssa Santino	10 m
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Committee to approve FY22-23 goals and meeting sequence.

[Academic Goals 22-23.docx - Google Docs](#)

IX. Finance 4:34 PM

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Committee Goals	Discuss	Prabhu Reddy	10 m

Committee to approve FY22-23 goals and meeting sequence.

[Equitas FY23 Finance Committee Priorities - Google Docs](#)

[Equitas FY23 Finance Cmte Scope & Sequence - Google Docs](#)

X. Governance Committee 4:44 PM

A. Committee Goals	Discuss	Lindsey Heisser	10 m
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Committee to approve FY22-23 goals and meeting sequence.

[Equitas Governance Goals FY 22-23 08.17.22 - Google Docs](#)

[SY'22-23 DRAFT Plan to Support Board Growth](#)

XI. Organization Updates: Strong School Opening 4:54 PM

A. CEO Update & Org Dashboard	Discuss	Sofia Roditti	10 m
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CEO to provide an update on goals and organizational dashboard. Board provide feedback, support and evaluates the CEO. The focus for the August Board meeting is on Strong School Opening.

[Organizational Updates: Strong School Opening Overview Deck 8_25_22](#)

B. State Testing Update (SBAC)	Discuss	Robert Spencer	5 m
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Robert Spencer (Chief Schools Officer) will provide an update on State Testing (SBAC).

C. Enrollment Update	Discuss	Seidy Pacheco	5 m
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Seidy Pacheco (Director of Enrollment) will provide an update on enrollment.

D. Facilities Update	Discuss	Cecilia Melgares	5 m
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Cecilia Melgares (Managing Director of Operations) to provide an update on facilities.

E. Talent Update	Discuss	Jessica Edelman	5 m
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Jessica Edelman (Director of Teach Talent) to provide an update on the following:

- Open seat and goals to hiring
- Diversity

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• Retention			

F. Priorities for FY 22-23	Discuss	Sofia Roditti	5 m
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Priorities for FY 22-23 to be discussed:

- Soffia Roditti to provide an update on the org
- Kate Farrar to provide an update on the network
- Robert Spencer to provide an update for schools

XII. Evaluation of Meeting **5:29 PM**

A. Evaluation	Discuss	Tyler Bell	15 m
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Committee to discuss how the group did in relations to governance and management and where we might upgrade practices for our next meeting.

XIII. Closing Items **5:44 PM**

A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Tyler Bell	1 m
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