



# Equitas Academy Charter School

## Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time Thursday March 23, 2017 at 2:00 PM

## Location

Teleconference

PUBLIC COMMENT AT EQUITAS ACADEMY BOARD MEETINGS – An opportunity for the public to address the Board will be provided at the conclusion of the agenda. Members of the public who wish to speak on any item are requested to identify themselves and indicate on which agenda item they wish to speak. The Board will provide an opportunity for the public to speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes, unless granted additional time at the discretion of the Board. Testimony shall be limited in content to matters pertaining to Equitas Academy. The Board may not take any action on matters discussed during the public testimony period that are not listed on the agenda. Brown Act Compliance: Agenda posted at School

Teleconference information: 1 877 309 2073 // 718-133-269.

Call in locations: 316 N. Flores St., Los Angeles, CA 90048, 655 N. Central Ave., Suite 2300, Glendale, CA 91203 and 5371 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 200, LA CA 90036.

## **Committee Members Present**

J. Creed, L. Phillips, O. Bajracharya

## **Committee Members Absent**

None

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

Oliver Bajracharya, Jesse Creed, Lindsay Phillips

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Renfort called a meeting of the Governance Committee Committee of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Mar 23, 2017 at 2:11 PM.

#### II. Governance

#### A. Develop Governance Committee Goals

Three goals discussed, with further discussion to be conducted at the full board meeting:

#### 1) Board recruitment

- Committee agreed that an increase to 11 members is a good goal; focus is on getting valuable board members rather than on a specific number.
- Committee agreed that a community member would be a valuable board member
  - Have Equitas identify 3-5 businesses or individuals as a "lead"
  - Committee will follow up with the "lead" to gauge interest as a board member
  - · Committee will coordinate bringing in best candidate(s) to the board

#### 2) Board giving

- Three concepts to give to board members in writing and tracked in a spreadsheet presented at each board meeting:
  - (1) Each board member expected to give.
  - (2) The give amount should be a "sacrificial commitment" (amount will not be made public, but spreadsheet will indicate whether a gift has been given or not)
  - $_{\circ}$  (3) Each board member has a "give or get" amount of \$2,500 (total amount of "give or get" contribution will be made public)

#### 3) Board participation

Reemphasize board attendance policy

• Distribute a spreadsheet at each board meeting showing attendance at each board meeting, phone call, committee meeting, etc. (even though attendance on phone calls is not mandatory, it helps to show how people participate)

## **III. Closing Items**

## A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, L. Renfort