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## Equitas Academy Charter School

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday January 23, 2020 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

1612 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015

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**Meeting Location:**

1612 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015

**Telephonic Participation Locations:**

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**Equitas Academy:** 1700 West Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015 (combined with 1612 W. Pico, which is an adjacent location)

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

**Equitas Academy #3 and #5:** 1050 Beacon Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90015

**Equitas Academy #4:** 631 S Commonwealth Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90005

**Join Hangouts Meet:**

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+1 385-262-3477

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**Additional Call In Location:**

10901 W 120th Ave #450, Broomfield, CO 80021; 4324 Franklin Ave Los Angeles, CA 90027.

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**Directors Present**

A. Perez, C. Langston (remote), D. Krishna, J. Cruz, O. Bajracharya, P. Buelna, P. Reddy (remote), T. Bell

**Directors Absent**

J. Troletti

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

A. Perez

**Guests Present**

C. Casey, L. Chang, M. Ford, N. Orlando

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance and Guests**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

P. Buelna called a meeting of the board of directors of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Jan 23, 2020 at 6:01 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes**

D. Krishna made a motion to approve the minutes from December Special Board Meeting on 12-17-19.

J. Cruz seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Troletti	Absent
J. Cruz	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
A. Perez	Absent
T. Bell	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
P. Buelna	Aye

**II. Public Comment**

**A. Public Comment**

No public comment was made.

**III. Consent**

**A. BeEverything Contract**

T. Bell made a motion to approve the consent agenda item.

J. Cruz seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

P. Buelna	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
J. Cruz	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
A. Perez	Absent
C. Langston	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
J. Troletti	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye

**IV. Resource Development**

**A. Review Board 10th Anniversary Celebration**

Cathey Casey presented on EQ Anniversary Celebration income projections.

A. Perez arrived.

**B. Corporate Partner Goals**

Cathey Casey presented on corporate partner goals and asking board member to reach out to their networks to explore potential new partners.

**C.**

## **EQ Volunteer Opportunities**

Cathey Casey presented on new mentor/mentee initiative as a potential volunteer opportunity for board members and their networks.

## **V. Finance**

### **A. Board Review of Monthly 2019 Financials**

Samira Estilai presented on December 2019 financials.

T. Bell made a motion to approve the December 2019 financials with the correction to the 145% typo.

A. Perez seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

A. Perez	Aye
P. Buelna	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
J. Troletti	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye
J. Cruz	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye

### **B. Cash Reserve**

Prabhu Reddy presented on:

- cash reserve and coming proposal for cash management policy change.
- Implications of cash reserves on 2021 FY

## **VI. Governance Committee**

### **A. Dashboard Data**

Oliver presented on governance dashboard.

Oliver Bajracharya and Cathy Casey presented on the give/get contributions that are recoded on the governance dashboard.

### **B. Board Retreat**

Oliver Bajracharya and Nik Orlando presented on board retreat updates.

Cathey Casey and Pilar Buelna presented on potential new board member updates.

## **VII. Org Updates**

### **A.**

### Update from Acting CEO

Leslie Chang provided an update to the board as acting CEO.

### B. Vacation Leave review

Nik Orlando presented on a review of vacation leave policy.

O. Bajracharya made a motion to approve additional week of vacation for all employees who reach 10 years with approval from legal.

D. Krishna seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

P. Buelna	Aye
J. Cruz	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye
C. Langston	Abstain
A. Perez	Aye
J. Troletti	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye

### C. Sabbatical Leave Policy revision

Nik Orlando presented on Sabbatical leave policy update.

O. Bajracharya made a motion to make an addition to the sabbatical policy that states a team member accrues vacation during sabbatical.

T. Bell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

J. Cruz	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
A. Perez	Aye
J. Troletti	Absent
P. Buelna	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye
C. Langston	Abstain
T. Bell	Aye

## VIII. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

A. Perez made a motion to adjourn meeting.

T. Bell seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

P. Buelna	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Abstain
A. Perez	Aye
J. Cruz	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
C. Langston	Abstain
J. Troletti	Absent
D. Krishna	Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
P. Buelna