



# **Equitas Academy Charter School**

# **Minutes**

# **Finance Committee Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday September 24, 2019 at 12:00 PM

#### Location

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

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#### **Committee Members Present**

A. Perez (remote), B. Snyder, M. Ford, P. Reddy, S. Estilai

#### **Committee Members Absent**

A. Sowrirajan

## Committee Members who arrived after the meeting opened

A. Perez

#### **Guests Present**

M. Borrego

# I. Opening Items

# A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

P. Reddy called a meeting of the Finance Committee Committee of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 24, 2019 at 12:26 PM.

# C. Approve Minutes

- A. Perez made a motion to approve minutes from the Finance Committee Committee Meeting on 08-30-19 Finance Committee Meeting on 08-30-19.
- P. Reddy seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Sowrirajan Absent

P. Reddy Aye

A. Perez Aye

N. Orlando Absent

B. Snyder Abstain

#### **II. Public Comment**

#### A. Public Comment

There no member of the public so no public comment was made.

#### **III. Finance Committee**

# A. Most Recent Monthly Financial Report

Ms Estilai provided an update about the budget and forecast enrollment is -5. This information is for the month ending July 2019. The forecast has been adjusted to reflect current hiring and contracts.

51 days cash on hand

A. Perez arrived.

## B. Update on Unaudited Actuals for EQ2

#### C. Enrollment

M Ford discussed the enrollment shortfall and the plan to adjust and remediate.

#### D. Facilities Debt Service

Review debt service per pupil
We are at 1580 per pupil under the 1900 goal

#### E. Real Estate

- Discussed progress for EQ4 Shoring and grading is wrapping up- construction will commence all permits are in hand. Monitoring time as it is very tight.
- 1612 kick off tomorrow with Berliner and SheppardMullin
- Discussed the new prevailing wage requirements for bond financing- how will we look at the issue- What will we do to comply.- Out of state issuance, closing ahead of the law or using other methods

#### F. Board Financial Governance

The team reviewed an article that addressed the following; The charge of the charter school board finance committee is to ensure short term financial viability, long term financial sustainability, and financial compliance with loan covenants and charter agreements. This charge is met through setting goals for financial performance, overseeing the annual budget and multi-year financial projections, reviewing monthly financial statements, reviewing of annual audits, overseeing financings and related capital plans, and maintaining policies for fiscal procedures.

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# **Next Steps**

# IV. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

- B. Snyder made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- A. Perez seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Perez Aye

B. Snyder Aye

A. Sowrirajan Absent

P. Reddy Aye

N. Orlando Absent

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

P. Reddy