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Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday October 27, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Location
1612 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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2112 Meridian Blvd, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546
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Topic: October Board Meeting

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Directors Present
A. Santino (remote), C. Langston (remote), D. Krishna (remote), L. Heisser (remote), O. Bajracharya, P. Reddy (remote)

Directors Absent
D. Ortiz, F. Spindler, T. Bell

Guests Present
Alaino Pariano, Amanda Pardo, C. Melgares, E. Wyatt, J. Edelman, J. Rayas, Jennifer Freeman, K. Farrar, Kawika Chun, L. Lofton, Melissa Lawrence, R. Spencer, S. Pacheco, S. Roditti

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Board findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)

C. Langston made a motion to Approve Board Findings Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).
L. Heisser seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call	
D. Krishna	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
F. Spindler	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
D. Ortiz	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
T. Bell	Absent

C. Call the Meeting to Order

O. Bajracharya called a meeting of the board of directors of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Oct 27, 2022 at 3:02 PM.

D. Approve Minutes

A. Santino made a motion to Approve Board Minutes for Board meeting on August 25, 2022.
O. Bajracharya seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
A. Santino	Aye
F. Spindler	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
T. Bell	Absent
D. Ortiz	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye

A. Santino made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-25-22.
O. Bajracharya seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

There were no members of the public present and no public comment was made.

III. Closed Session

A.

CEO Performance and Goals

The Board met in closed session to discuss and finalize the CEO evaluation system and goals for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion was passed.

IV. Board Development and Training

A. Resource Development: Fundraising Education with Wanda Scott

Wanda Scott presented on fundraising strategies and events.

B. Break

All attendees took a ten minute break.

V. Consent

A. Update Fiscal Policies

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve Updated Fiscal Policies.
D. Krishna seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Bell	Absent
L. Heisser	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
D. Ortiz	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye
F. Spindler	Absent

B. English Learner Master Plan

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve English Learner Master Plan.
D. Krishna seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Heisser	Aye
D. Ortiz	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
F. Spindler	Absent
T. Bell	Absent
D. Krishna	Aye

Roll Call

C. Langston	Aye

C. Employee Handbook Revisions

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve the the 22-23 Employee Handbook Revisions.
D. Krishna seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Krishna	Aye
T. Bell	Absent
F. Spindler	Absent
C. Langston	Aye
D. Ortiz	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye

D. Update Financial Accounts

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve Update to Financial Accounts.
D. Krishna seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Krishna	Aye
F. Spindler	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
D. Ortiz	Absent
T. Bell	Absent
O. Bajracharya	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye

Approval by Board to remove Maggie Ford and add Cecilia Melgares to bank accounts as signer.

Change in credit card provider:
California Credit Union Credit Card Application - Google Docs

VI. Organizational Updates

A. Fiscal Updates

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve the Monthly Financials.

C. Langston seconded the motion.
Prabu Reddy gave details on fiscal updates including the review of monthly financials.

Slav Sobkav presented the Equitas monthly financials.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
D. Ortiz	Absent
T. Bell	Absent
F. Spindler	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
D. Krishna	Aye

B. Approval of Budget Revision

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve the 22-23 Budget Revisions.
D. Krishna seconded the motion.
Prabu Reddy gave details on fiscal updates including an update on annual budget revisions.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
D. Ortiz	Absent
F. Spindler	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
T. Bell	Absent
D. Krishna	Aye
C. Langston	Aye
A. Santino	Aye
O. Bajracharya	Aye

C. Strong School Opening Overview

Staff gave an overview of Strong School Opening including Enrollment Data, Staffing Data, and Student data.

VII. Governance Committee

A. Recruitment Updates

Lindsay Heisser, Governance Committee Chair, shared an update on processes and outcomes in goals to recruit additional committee members for the Board.

VIII. Evaluation of Meeting

A. Evaluation

Board Members and staff provided feedback on the Board meeting practices and updates.

IX. 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 5:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
O. Bajracharya