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Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday September 21, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Location
Nadine Peters is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Governance Committee Meeting

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Committee Members Present
C. Osuna (remote), F. Spindler (remote), L. Heisser (remote), M. Gomez (remote)

Committee Members Absent
T. Bell

Guests Present
K. Farrar (remote), L. Mitre (remote), S. Roditti (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

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

L. Heisser made a motion to operate pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).
M. Gomez seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Heisser	Aye
T. Bell	Absent
C. Osuna	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
F. Spindler	Aye

C. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Heisser called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Wednesday Sep 21, 2022 at 3:05 PM.

D.

Approve Minutes

technical issue with access to minutes in Board on Track; motion tabled until minutes are available at the next meeting.

E. Public Comment

II. Governance

A. Update on 22-23 Committee Goals

Goals of the committee were reviewed at the last board meeting; no further comment or suggestion has been made for revision. Governance priorities were reviewed with the entire committee for final discussion, including a multi-year recruitment plan, board succession plans, support for board engagement, learning and development for board members on topics of effective governance and equity, and plans to support advocacy across the organization. The committee discussed ways in which the committee and board as a whole will support and implement these priority areas of work.

B. Board Growth Plan

Overall update shared about progress toward the goal of bringing on new board and committee members prior to the close of December. This action plan was approved at the last board meeting. Discussion was held about expanding the original timeline to allow greater flexibility through waves of recommendations. Processes might include touch points with candidates, alumni, and families as well as board and staff. Follow up communications will be shared with all board and committee members based on revised timelines, following this meeting.

C. '23 Board Retreat

The planning for next spring's board retreat has begun, in order to ensure an exceptional experience for our board and meet the goals of the retreat. Historical information has been gathered about previous retreats as part of this process. The governance committee discussed ways in which the group might achieve the goals of the board retreat in the coming school year.

Some experiences highlighted that might be included were the focus on clear retreat goals, strategic planning, speakers on critical topics, team-building activities, and connection with students, families, alumni, and community. Time dedicated to relationship-building may be an investment, potentially connected to committees. Pre-work or a pre-retreat meeting experience for committees might support committees to align prior to the committee and would allow committee members to share input on priorities if unable to attend the retreat. An effort to facilitate in a way that leads to clear next steps for each committee was requested to expedite application of ideas generated at the retreat, in service of board goals.

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 4:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Heisser