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Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

September Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday September 19, 2024 at 3:30 PM

Location
1612 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

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Topic: September Board Meeting
When: Sep 19, 2024 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Directors Present
L. Heisser, M. Gomez, P. Reddy, T. Bell, T. Hollenberg

Directors Absent
C. Langston, D. Ortiz, R. McKenzie, S. Jauregui

Guests Present
Adriana Perez, Alaina Pariano, Alberto Rojo, Arlet Badillo, B. Canosa-Carr, B. Rush, C. Melgares, H. Greene, J. Edelman, J. Freeman, J. Gonzalez, J. Rayas, J. Rudolph, Joanna

Montgomery, K. Farrar, K. Gouveia, Kyle, L. Lofton, L. Mitre, Lourdes Villasenor, Luis Aguilar (remote), Mike Matlock, N. Peters (remote), R. Spencer, S. Estilai (remote), S. Roditti, V. Pena

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I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Heisser called a meeting of the board of directors of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Sep 19, 2024 at 3:30 PM.

C. Musical Performance - Flagship 4th Grade Scholars

Scholars from the Music class at EQ-Flagship joined the meeting and shared a musical performance with the Board.

D. Approve Minutes

T. Bell made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 08-08-24.
M. Gomez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. McKenzie	Absent
S. Jauregui	Absent
D. Ortiz	Absent
M. Gomez	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
C. Langston	Absent
L. Heisser	Aye

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

No public comment was made.

III. Public Report on Action Taken in Closed-Session

A. Public Report on Action Taken in Closed-Session

There was no action taken in closed session. The closed session board meeting was cancelled due to a lock of quorum.

IV. Organizational Updates

A. Principal Presentation

Alaina Pariano, Equitas Flahship Principal shared a presentation on Academic Growth Cycles.

B. Alumni Scholarships

Lilia MItre shared a presentation on Alumni Scholarships.

C. Community Schools & Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Anti-Racism (DEIA) Highlights

Brittany Rush and Jennifer Freeman presented DEIA Highlights.

D. Presentation of Equitas 2030 Organizational Updates Deck

The 2030 Organizational updates were presented by Robert Spencer, Sofia Roditti, Jason Rudolph, and Jessica Edelman.

E. Break

F. '23-'24 LAUSD Oversight Reports

Cecilia Melgares presented on the '23-'24 LAUSD Oversight Reports.

G. '23-'24 Unaudited Financials

T. Bell made a motion to Approving '23-'24 Unaudited Financials.
P. Reddy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
D. Ortiz	Absent
S. Jauregui	Absent
L. Heisser	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
R. McKenzie	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
C. Langston	Absent
M. Gomez	Aye

H. Adopted Core Curriculum

T. Hollenberg made a motion to Approve Adopted Core Curriculum.
T. Bell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

T. Bell	Aye
C. Langston	Absent
D. Ortiz	Absent
T. Hollenberg	Aye
R. McKenzie	Absent
P. Reddy	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
L. Heisser	Aye
S. Jauregui	Absent

I. English Learner Master Plan

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

Roll Call

L. Heisser	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
P. Reddy	Aye
M. Gomez	Aye
T. Bell	Aye
C. Langston	Absent
D. Ortiz	Absent
S. Jauregui	Absent
R. McKenzie	Absent

V. Finance

A. Committee Goals

Prabhu Reddy shared the the primary financial committee goals.

VI. Governance Committee

A. Board Member Recognition & Acceptance of Resignation

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve Board Member Recognition & Acceptance of Resignation of Oliver Bajracharya.
M. Gomez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Heisser	Aye

Roll Call

P. Reddy	Aye
R. McKenzie	Absent
C. Langston	Absent
T. Bell	Abstain
D. Ortiz	Absent
M. Gomez	Aye
T. Hollenberg	Aye
S. Jauregui	Absent

B. Committee Goals

VII. Culmination of Meeting

A. Announcements

B. Evaluation of Meeting

Musical Performance was appreciated
Organizational updates were excellent and aligned with the 2030 goals.

VIII. 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 5:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Heisser