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## Equitas Academy Charter School

### Minutes

#### October Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday October 24, 2024 at 3:30 PM

**Location**

1612 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

Additional call-in locations:

1700 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90015

2723 W 8th St, Los Angeles, CA 90005

1050 Beacon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015

2501 W 7th St, Los Angeles, CA 90057

2420 Mathews Ave #A, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

4324 Franklin Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90027

9601 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hill, CA 90210

**Topic: October Board Meeting**

When: Oct 24, 2024 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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#### **Directors Present**

C. Langston (remote), L. Heisser, M. Gomez, P. Reddy, R. McKenzie (remote), T. Bell, T. Hollenberg

#### **Directors Absent**

D. Ortiz, S. Jauregui

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## Guests Present

A. Rojo, B. Canosa-Carr, C. Melgares (remote), J. Edelman, J. Freeman, J. Gonzalez, J. Rudolph, Joanna Montgomery, K. Farrar, K. Gouveia, L. Lofton, L. Mitre, Lourdes Villasenor, R. Spencer, S. Estilai, 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 Oct 24, 2024 at 3:40 PM.

### C. Video of EQ3 Scholars

### D. Approve Minutes

M. Gomez made a motion to approve the minutes from September Board Meeting on 09-19-24.

P. Reddy seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

C. Langston Aye

S. Jauregui Absent

P. Reddy Aye

T. Hollenberg Aye

M. Gomez Aye

R. McKenzie Aye

D. Ortiz Absent

T. Bell Aye

L. Heisser Aye

## II. Public Comment

### A. Public Comment

There was no public comment made during this meeting.

## III. Public Report on Action Taken in Closed-Session

### A. Public Report on Action Taken in Closed-Session

There was no action taken during closed session.

#### IV. Organizational Updates

##### A. Key Strategies to Achieve Breakthrough Academic Results

Robert Spencer and Bobby Canosa-Carr shared a presentation on Key Strategies to Achieve Breakthrough Academic Results.

##### B. Principal Presentation

Joanna Montgomery presented updates on EQ3 learning strategies.

##### C. Equitas Approach Priorities

Sofia Roditti, Robert Spencer, Jason Rudolph and Jessica Edelman shared organizational updates.

##### D. Break

##### E. Fiscal Updates

M. Gomez made a motion to Approve Monthly Financials for August 2024.

T. Bell seconded the motion.

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

###### Roll Call

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

##### F. Equitas Academy Board Bylaws

P. Reddy made a motion to Approve Equitas Academy Board Bylaws.

T. Hollenberg seconded the motion.

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

###### Roll Call

P. Reddy Aye  
D. Ortiz Absent  
M. Gomez Aye  
C. Langston Aye  
L. Heisser Aye

**Roll Call**

T. Bell Abstain  
T. Hollenberg Aye  
S. Jauregui Absent  
R. McKenzie Aye

**G. Updated Reclassification Criteria**

T. Bell made a motion to Approve Updated Reclassification Criteria.  
M. Gomez seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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

**V. Resource Development**

**A. Committee Goals**

Catie Langston provided Resource Development Committee Updates.

**VI. Finance**

**A. Committee Goals**

Tom Hollenberg shared finance committee updates with the Board.

**VII. Governance Committee**

**A. Committee Goals**

Tyler Bell shared governance committee updates with the Board.

**VIII. Culmination of Meeting**

**A. Announcements**

**B. Evaluation of Meeting**

Great efficient meeting, informative and incredible. Answered questions and adjusting the deck in real time.

Material were high quality. Academic, school site presentation and board update deck were great. Clear thread between the materials and aligned with Vision 2030.

Appreciation for continued focus on wildly impprtant goals and helps the board remember where to focus.

The dashboard and format and evolution of the deck has been helpful in continued tracking. Would be helpful to know upcoming markers and test dates.

## **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 5:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Heisser