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## Equitas Academy Charter School

### Minutes

#### April Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday April 23, 2026 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

4324 Franklin Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90027

2420 Mathews Ave #A, Redondo Beach, CA 90278

509 S Lincoln Pl, Monrovia, CA 91016

9560 Wilshire Blvd, Floor 5, Beverly Hills, CA 90212

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When: Apr 23, 2026 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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#### **Directors Present**

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

#### **Directors Absent**

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None

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

T. Bell

**Directors who left before the meeting adjourned**

T. Bell

**Guests Present**

A. Cruz, A. Rojo, Anita Juarez (remote), B. Canosa-Carr, J. Gonzalez, J. Rayas (remote), J. Rudolph, K. Farrar, L. Lofton, N. Peters (remote), Yajaira Perez (remote)

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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 Apr 23, 2026 at 4:00 PM.

T. Bell left at 4:05 PM.

**C. Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

D. Ortiz made a motion to Adopt the Agenda.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

C. Langston Aye

S. Jauregui Aye

L. Heisser Aye

D. Ortiz Aye

R. McKenzie Aye

T. Bell Absent

M. Gomez Aye

P. Reddy Aye

T. Hollenberg Aye

**D. ECHS Student Speaker**

Jeselmi Chavarria Sales shared an update on college acceptance and awarded scholarships.

**E. Approve Minutes**

M. Gomez made a motion to approve the minutes from February Board Meeting on 02-05-26.

D. Ortiz seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. McKenzie Aye

S. Jauregui Aye

P. Reddy Aye

D. Ortiz Aye

C. Langston Aye

T. Bell Absent

T. Hollenberg Aye

L. Heisser Aye

M. Gomez Aye

**II. Public Report on Action Taken in Closed-Session**

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

Action taken on Existing Litigation, Case no. 21STCV14264, 639 Commonwealth vs Townhouse Retails Center; Equitas Academy Charter Schools, Inc. The Board approved a mutual walkaway settlement bearing its owns legals costs totaling \$74,275.81 by unanimous vote.

**III. Organizational Updates**

**A. Principal Presentation**

Dr. Natalie Mejia, Principal of Equitas Collegiate High School shared a presentation and update on the school.

T. Bell arrived at 4:10 PM.

**B. Equitas Priorities**

Jason Rudolph, COO, shared updates on 26-27 budget priorities.

Bobby Canosa-Carr, CSO, shared updates on 26-27 academic priorities and secondary redesign work.

Jennifer Freeman, MD of Academics, shared updates on after school Programming with a focus on academic support.

Sofia Roditti, CEO, shared updates on competitive compensation.

**C. Break**

**D. 2026-27 Calendar Update**

Sofia Roditti shared 26-27 a calendar update related to Farmer's Day.

**E.**

### Monthly Financials

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve Monthly Financials.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

Jason Rudolph, COO, shared budget updates.

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

#### Roll Call

T. Bell Aye

L. Heisser Aye

R. McKenzie Aye

P. Reddy Aye

M. Gomez Aye

D. Ortiz Aye

T. Hollenberg Aye

S. Jauregui Aye

C. Langston Aye

### F. Allocation Distribution of Board Member Donations

## IV. Consent

### A. Second Interim Reports

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve Second Interim Reports.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

D. Ortiz Aye

T. Hollenberg Aye

P. Reddy Aye

C. Langston Aye

L. Heisser Aye

T. Bell Aye

S. Jauregui Aye

M. Gomez Aye

R. McKenzie Aye

### B. Amended Policies for AB 49 Compliance

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve Amended Policies for AB 49 Compliance.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

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

### C. Title III Plan

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve Title III Plan.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

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

**D. Arc Summer & After School Program Agreement**

D. Ortiz made a motion to Approve Arc Summer & After School Program Agreement.

M. Gomez seconded the motion.

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

**V. Resource Development**

**A. Committee Goals**

Catie Langeston shared updates on Resource Development Goals.

**VI. Academic Accountability**

**A. Committee Goals**

Sylvia Jauregui shared updates on Academic Accountability committee goals.

**VII. Finance**

**A. Committee Goals**

Tom Holland shared an update on Finance committee goals.

**VIII. Governance Committee**

**A. Committee Goals**

Tyler Bell shared an update on Governance committee goals and upcoming Board Retreat details coming May 16th.

**B. Board Retreat Update**

**IX. Board Updates**

**A. Board Goals**

Lindsey Heisser shared a Board Goals update.

**X. Culmination of Meeting**

**A. Announcements**

**B. Evaluation of Meeting**

Great presentation.

## **XI. 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 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Heisser