

Launch Expeditionary Learning Charter School

Minutes

September Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 29, 2026 at 4:45 PM

Alexis Rubin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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Trustees Present

C. Noel, D. Hazelwood (remote), J. Harber (remote), M. Webster, N. Lirette (remote)

Trustees Absent

M. Ward-Mitchell

Guests Present

A. Khan, A. Rubin, Andrew Klein (remote), C. Schlafer (remote), N. Walcott, R. Tang (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Harber called a meeting of the board of trustees of Launch Expeditionary Learning Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 29, 2026 at 4:45 PM.

II. Approve Minutes

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C. Noel made a motion to approve the minutes from August Board Meeting on 08-31-26.

M. Webster seconded the motion.

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

III. Renewal Preparation

A. Start of Year Update

The Executive Director presented an update on the start of the school year, highlighting strong routines, the use of student data to guide instruction, and a focus on increasing student discussion and critical thinking.

B. Site Visit Preparation

The ED presented an update on preparations for the upcoming NYSED charter renewal site visit, including classroom observations and focus groups with school leaders, students, families, and Board members. The ED answered questions from the Board.

C. Enrollment and Budget

The ED presented an enrollment update, noting that the high school is fully enrolled while middle school enrollment remains below budget. Management will address the gap through fundraising and cost-saving measures and use more conservative enrollment projections in future budgeting.

IV. High School Facilities Update

A. Facilities Update

The ED provided an update on the new high school facility, including ongoing work with Building Hope toward loan closing and the creation of Friends of Launch to support the lease, financing, and fundraising for the new site.

V. Closing Items

A. Information Items

The ED presented updates on the following:

- Plans to launch a Community Advisory Board to engage Sunset Park community members in shaping the new high school site and student experience.

- Recent media coverage of the new high school building, including coverage in The New York Times, News 12 Brooklyn, Crain's New York, and other outlets.
- Launch's selection to present at the FullScale Symposium alongside Runway Green on its work reimagining the high school experience.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
C. Noel