



Explorations Charter School

Governing Board Regular Meeting

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Date and Time

Tuesday March 17, 2026 at 5:00 PM EDT

Location

Virtual

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			5:00 PM
A. Record Attendance		Kali Blakeslee	
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Robert Peterson	
C. Approve Minutes - 02/24/2026	Approve Minutes	Sarah Annis Haynes	5 m
II. Financial			5:05 PM
A. Presentation from Chris King - King CPAs of 2024-2025 Audit	FYI	Jill Johnson	15 m
B. February Monthly Report	Discuss	Jill Johnson	5 m

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III. Public Comment				
IV. Action Items			5:25 PM	
A.	Review & Discuss 1998 Letter - Brian O'Neil	Discuss	Jill	10 m
B.	Healthy Food Certification	Vote	Jill Johnson	5 m
	<p>Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the Explorations Charter School Governing Board certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, culinary programs, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or non-school organizations and groups.</p>			
C.	Food Exemptions	Vote	Jill Johnson	5 m
	<p>The Explorations Charter School Governing Board will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition Standards provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the food items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An "event" is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The "regular school day" is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. "Location" means where the event is being held and must be the same place as the food sales.</p>			
D.	Revised School Calendar	Vote	Jill Johnson	5 m
V. Committee Reports			5:50 PM	
A.	Policy Committee	Discuss	Joe White	5 m
B.	CEO Support & Evaluation Committee	Discuss	Lori Noto	5 m

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C. Personnel Committee	Discuss	Sarah Annis Haynes	5 m
D. Finance Committee	Discuss	Ginni Block	5 m
E. Staff Appreciation	Discuss	Sarah Annis Haynes	5 m
VI. Executive Session			
VII. School News			6:15 PM
A. General Updates	Discuss	Jill Johnson	10 m
1. Enrollment			
2. Attendance			
3. Enrollment Open House			
4. Grant Updates			
5. Updates re: Renewal & Corrective Actions			
B. Teacher Report	FYI	Kali Blakeslee	5 m
VIII. Closing Items			6:30 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote		