Elgin Math & Science Academy

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday October 27, 2026 at 4:00 PM CDT

Location

Administration Building
Social Studies Classroom

Our Mission:

The Elgin Math and Science Academy is an EL Education public charter school.

We strive to support the whole child and develop socially responsible leaders who aspire to create a better world.

Agenda

		Purpose	Presenter	Time
I.	**Opening Items**			**4:00 PM**
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	A. Record Attendance and Guests		Akash Gandhi	1 m
	B. Call the Meeting to Order		Sue Bennett	1 m

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II.	**Board Meeting**			**4:02 PM**
A.	Public Comment	FYI	Akash Gandhi	30 m

The following procedures will govern public participation for Board and Committee Meetings:

1. Individuals wishing to address the Board or a Committee are asked to email the Board President 24 hours before the meeting at board@emsacharter.org.
2. When a virtual option is provided for access to a Board or Committee meeting, regardless of if the meeting is held in-person, virtually, or a hybrid of these two, individuals may be given the opportunity to participate in the public participation portion(s) of the meeting virtually.
3. No individual will be allowed to speak for more than **3 minutes.** Public participation will be held for no more than 30 minutes.
4. Members of the public should not use public comment to criticize individual staff members or call out individual students. Instead, comments should be focused on school policy or procedural issues. Problems or concerns with individuals should be addressed through the school grievance policy. If they do rise to the level of the Board, they should be submitted in writing to the Board for consideration. The Board may discuss the matter in Executive Session. Failure to follow this will result in the individual's public comment period being cut off.
5. Boisterous conduct will not be permitted at any Board or Committee meeting, nor will any defamatory or abusive language be tolerated. The Board or Committee chairperson may terminate the privilege of any speaker who violates this procedure.
6. The Board does not respond directly to any public comments. If the public comment warrants a response, the Board will add the topic to a future agenda, discuss it publicly, and vote if warranted.

B.	Approve Minutes from the September 2026 Board of Directors Meeting	Approve Minutes	Sue Bennett	2 m
III.	**Financial Report**			**4:34 PM**
A.	Review September Financial Statements	FYI	Alex Krog	5 m

Review September 2026 interim financial statements

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IV.	**Administrative Reports**			**4:39 PM**
A.	Executive Director's Report	FYI	Kathryn Martinez	10 m

Kathryn Martinez will share an update on instruction and operations of the school.

V. Board Development and Training

VI.	**EMSA Committee Reports**			**4:49 PM**
A.	EPTC Update	FYI	Jennifer Delgado	5 m
B.	Executive Committee	FYI	Sue Bennett	5 m
C.	Development Committee Report	FYI	Kathryn Martinez	5 m
VII.	**Executive Session**			**5:04 PM**
A.	Vote to Enter Closed Session	Vote	Sue Bennett	1 m

The Board will vote to enter closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.

B.	Closed Session	Discuss	Sue Bennett	15 m

The EMSA Board proposes a closed session to discuss specifically items enumerated below and in accordance with the Open Meetings Act which provides:
(c) Exceptions. A public body may hold closed meetings to consider the following subjects:

(1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, and other items allowed under the Open Meetings Act.

(2) The discussion of minutes of meeting lawfully closed under the Open Meeting Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the Minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

(3) Litigation when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/(c)(11).

C.	Motion to Exit Closed Session	Vote	Sue Bennett	1 m

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VIII.	**Closing Items**			**5:21 PM**
A.	Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Sue Bennett	