



# Elgin Math & Science Academy

# **Minutes**

# **Board of Directors Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday October 25, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Location Art Barn 1600 Dundee Ave Elgin, IL 60120

Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6308835013 Meeting ID: 630 883 5013

# **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.

#### **Directors Present**

A. Gray, B. Lane, D. Haight (remote), G. Swick, K. Kelly, K. Shaw, M. Toth, P. Stagen

# **Directors Absent**

S. Bennett

#### **Guests Present**

Akash.Gandhi@nsc.org, Cassie Grabowski, D. Alexander, D. DeJong (remote), K. Coventry, R. Manderschied, S. Egger (remote), S. Ismond

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Kelly called a meeting of the board of directors of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Wednesday Oct 25, 2023 at 4:02 PM.

# **II. Board Meeting**

#### A. Public Comment

G. Swick provided the Public Comment information.

# B. Approve Minutes from August 23, 2023 Board Meeting

- G. Swick made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Meeting on 08-23-23.
- B. Lane seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- B. Lane Aye
- G. Swick Aye
- K. Kelly Aye
- K. Shaw Aye
- S. Bennett Absent
- P. Stagen Aye
- A. Gray Aye
- D. Haight Aye
- M. Toth Aye

#### **III. Executive Session**

#### A. Motion to Enter Executive Closed Session

- B. Lane made a motion to enter Executive Session at 5:23 p.m.
- M. Toth seconded the motion.

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

B.

#### **Executive Session**

#### C. Motion to Exit Executive Closed Session

- B. Lane made a motion to exit Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.
- M. Toth seconded the motion.

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

#### IV. Financial Report

# A. Finance & Operations Committee Report

- B. Lane made a motion to to approve the resolution of the renewal of the existing Line of Credit loan facility with Wintrust.
- M. Toth seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

- K. Kelly Aye
- B. Lane Aye
- A. Gray Aye
- P. Stagen Aye
- G. Swick Aye
- D. Haight Aye
- S. Bennett Absent
- K. Shaw Aye
- M. Toth Aye

#### B. Financial Statements - September 30, 2023

D. DeJong discussed the Financial Statements as of September 30, 2023, including the Dashboard Report.

#### V. Construction & General Operations Report

#### A. Update on General Operations

D. Alexander discussed his attached report including the transition to Black Hawk Bank and additional construction items.

# **B. FOIA Report**

D. Alexander discussed the FOIA letter and explained FOIA is a records request.

#### VI. Principal's Report

# A. Principal's Report

R. Manderschied presented attendance and demographics information.

B. Lane presented positions to be filled and highlights from the Principal's report.

#### VII. EMSA Committee and Parent-Teacher Crew Reports

# A. Development and Community Outreach

R. Manderschied presented information from the Development Community on fundraising, and an increase in social media posts.

#### **B. EMSA PTC Update**

- M. Toth presented the following information on EPTC:
  - Standardization and processes for EPTC.
  - · Specific roles for board members.
  - Communication with staff streamlined.
  - Monthly newsletters
  - Fundraising Nightmare
  - Great turnout for grade-level events and parent involvement.

#### C. Academic Excellence Committee

- B. Lane presented data from Academic Excellence regarding IAR, NWEA, and Fastbridge.
- B. Lane made a motion to approve May 18, 2023 Meeting Minutes.
- M. Toth seconded the motion.

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

#### VIII. Closing Items

#### A. Public Comment

M. Rodriguez had a few questions about sub-groups and fundraising.

#### B. New Business--Feedback from Board Meeting

- K. Kelly advised that we received an Elgin Image Award.
- K. Kelly provided information about the consultant groups, costs, and how these groups would present at another Board Meeting. Invite HYA and IASB to a Special Board Meeting to present.

#### C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

K. Coventry