APPROVED

Elgin Math & Science Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday January 28, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Location
Admin 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.

Directors Present
A. Gandhi, A. Scimeca, J. Delgado, O. Faruqi, P. Stagen, S. Bennett, T. Gandhi

Directors Absent
S. Beck

Ex Officio Members Present
K. Martinez

Guests Present

N. Walters

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Bennett called a meeting of the board of directors of Elgin Math & Science Academy to order on Wednesday Jan 28, 2026 at 4:05 PM.

II. Board Meeting

A. Public Comment

Public Comment read by S. Bennett.

B. Approve Minutes from the December 2025 Board of Directors Meeting

O. Faruqi made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-17-25.
P. Stagen seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Financial Report

A. Review December Financial Statements

P. Stegan provided a financial statement summary of the past 1/2 of the school year. Planning and preparation for the 27-28 school year budgeting is underway.

B. Vote on Resolution to Establish Banking Relationship with American Community Bank and Trust

A. Gandhi made a motion to Transition our Banking and Line of Credit to American Community Bank and Trust.
A. Scimeca seconded the motion.
P. Stegan recused himself and abstains from discussion and vote.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

O. Faruqi	Aye
J. Delgado	Aye
T. Gandhi	Aye
S. Beck	Absent
P. Stagen	Abstain
A. Gandhi	Aye
S. Bennett	Aye

Roll Call
A. Scimeca Aye

IV. Administrative Reports

A. Executive Director's Report

K. Martinez provided an Executive Director update.

B. 2026/2027 School Calendar

J. Delgado made a motion to approve the second 2026/2027 School Calendar.
O. Faruqi seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. EMSA Committee Reports

A. EPTC Update

J. Delgado provided an update on the current EPTC programs with results of current programs and surveys announced at the upcoming Community Crew at the end of this week.

B. Executive Committee

S. Bennet provided an Exec Committee update.
Reminder to all board members to complete required training as a board to a non-profit.

C. Development Committee Report

K. Martinez provides an update on the Development Committee.
Bowling Bash is an upcoming event.

D. Academic Excellence Committee Report

K. Martinez provided and overview of the NWEA data from the Winter Testing.
The students continue to show growth with positive trends from the Fall Testing Session.

VI. 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 5:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Bennett