



# Amethod Public Schools

## Minutes

### Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday August 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM

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This meeting will be by teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

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### **Directors Present**

G. Lopez Jr. (remote), J. Azubuike (remote), M. Gonzalez (remote), N. Driver (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

D. Garcia, E. Quiroz

### **Guests Present**

L. Romo (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

G. Lopez Jr. called a meeting of the board of directors of Amethod Public Schools to order on Wednesday Aug 18, 2021 at 6:08 PM.

### **B. Roll Call**

### **C. Announcements**

Mr. Ken Kusactay, teacher at John Henry High School makes announcement about John Henry and PBS partnership.

### **D. Public/Board Comments**

There were no public comments.

Board Member Nick Driver announces a donation of masks made by a non profit company 'It Takes a Village.' Board chair announces meeting with representative from Board on track in conversations related to Board recruitment, retention and basics on Board governance.

## **II. Consent Agenda**

### **A. Approval of Consent Agenda**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the consent agenda items A-F as presented.

J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Azubuike Aye  
E. Quiroz Absent  
G. Lopez Jr. Aye  
D. Garcia Absent  
M. Gonzalez Aye  
N. Driver Aye

**B. Approval of Board Minutes 09/09/2020**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 09-09-20.  
J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**C. Approval of Board Minutes 06/16/2021**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 06-16-21.  
J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**D. Approval of Board Minutes 06/29/2021**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 06-29-21.  
J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**E. Approval of Board Minutes 07/21/2021**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 07-21-21.  
J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**F. Approval of Board Minutes 08/02/2021**

N. Driver made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 08-02-21.  
J. Azubuike seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**III. Business**

**A.**

## **CEO Report**

Mrs. Villa makes her report highlighting the return to school for the Oakland region, a professional development event held the last week of July. Villa announces Summit happening on September 17th and a ribbon cutting for 1450 in October. She closes her report in talking about vacant positions in the organization.

## **B. Approval of Accelerated Mathematics Plan**

Mr. Stephen Chee, math teacher at Oakland Charter High School makes presentation on accelerated mathematics pathway and answers questions from the Board.

N. Driver made a motion to accept the accelerated math pathways program.

M. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

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

### **Roll Call**

J. Azubuike    Aye  
E. Quiroz     Absent  
M. Gonzalez   Aye  
D. Garcia     Absent  
G. Lopez Jr.   Aye  
N. Driver      Aye

## **C. Approval of AMPS 2021-2022 Finance Handbook**

J. Azubuike made a motion to approve the handbook as presented.

M. Gonzalez seconded the motion.

Mike Barr, Chief Business Officer presents the Finance Handbook and answers questions from the Board before voting.

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

### **Roll Call**

J. Azubuike    Aye  
M. Gonzalez   Aye  
D. Garcia     Absent  
G. Lopez Jr.   Aye  
N. Driver      Aye  
E. Quiroz     Absent

## **IV. 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 6:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Lopez Jr.

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