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# Amethod Public Schools

## Minutes

### Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday February 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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**Directors Present**

A. Emmanuelli (remote), E. Gallegos (remote), E. Quiroz (remote), G. Lopez Jr. (remote)

**Directors Absent**

M. Obaid, N. Driver

**Guests Present**

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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 Feb 15, 2023 at 6:04 PM.

**B. Record Attendance**

**C. Announcements**

2 Announcements were made:

Board Chair Gilbert Lopez Jr. welcomes new board member Fr Andres Emmanuelli to the AMPS Board of Directors who comes to us from a local catholic high school.

Board Member Andres Emmanuelli, says he is coming from the private sector and is a big believer of communities having choices. He is looking forward to collaborating with the board and AMPS staff to serve those who are underserved and under represented.

**D. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

6 public comments on Non-Agenda Items were made:

Criss Avila, parent is concerned about her kid at JHHS. She expresses concerns about the principal and does not feel that the staff are supporting students. She wants an

explanation about the incident that happened at the dance. She is disappointed about the teachers behavior and JHHS is not communicating with parents.

Hector Garcia, parent is concerned about teachers setting bad examples to the students. Staff are not doing their jobs and one teacher is caught making immoral gestures to students. The campus is not safe and a lot of bullying has been happening. He is concerned about his daughters health and well-being. He is upset that the school is not taking the actions to support the students and the school is failing.

Evelyn Quesada, parent expresses concerns about the school not handling re-occurring issues. In Mr. Lu's class, one student is constantly causing conflicts with others and she is not held accountable. She is disturbed about the video that resurfaced about the teacher. She is very concerned about the lack of safety at the school.

Leonila Perez, parent expresses concerns about the video surfacing around the media. The video is embarrassing for the school and she would like the school to take action for what has happened. She asks that whoever organized the dance to ensure the students are safe and they are disciplined.

JHHS Mom, is disappointed about the school and her daughter does not wish to return back to school. She states the Director does not care for the students. She thinks it is unfair that the school has money for the school dance but does not have money for their graduation. She fought so much for the school to have enough teachers but the school still lacks teachers. Her daughter is feeling stressed and is questioning what the principal is doing. She would like people to take a stand about discrimination and hopes other Latinos take a stand against this.

Maria, a senior from JHHS feels her education is not a priority. She is concerned about her academics and does not feel prepared for college. She only has 2 teachers and she is not learning anything. She is disappointed about the school and feels upset that the school is taking away all of their senior activities.

## II. Preliminary Matters

### A. Approval of Findings Regarding Virtual Board Meetings Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code Section 54953

E. Gallegos made a motion to Approve Findings Regarding Virtual Board Meetings Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code Section 54953.

E. Quiroz seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

G. Lopez Jr. Aye  
M. Obaid Absent  
N. Driver Absent  
A. Emmanuelli Aye  
E. Quiroz Aye  
E. Gallegos Aye

**III. Consent**

**A. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: 01/18/2023**

E. Quiroz made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 01-18-23.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Obaid Absent  
N. Driver Absent  
E. Gallegos Aye  
G. Lopez Jr. Aye  
A. Emmanuelli Aye  
E. Quiroz Aye

**IV. Business**

**A. Supplement to the Annual Update to the 2022-2023 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)**

Chief Academic Officer, Mr. Bradley opens the discussion for the site directors from each school to present their LCAP.

Site Director, Ms. Lee makes her presentation on DCA's LCAP update.

Site Director, Ms. Schoolcraft makes her presentation on RCA's LCAP update.

Site Director, Ms. Roberson makes her presentation on JHHS's LCAP update.

Site Director, Mr. Norman makes his presentation on BJE's LCAP update.

Site Director, Mr. McArthur makes his presentation on OCHS LCAP update.

Site Director, Dr. Ellingberg makes his presentation on OCA LCAP update.

Board Member Andres Emmanuelli asks for clarification of LCAP and other abbreviation meanings.

Board Member Elisa Gallegos asks for clarification on PBIS systems, kick board, ISL, and SST.

## **V. Discussion**

### **A. Chief Academic Officer Instructional Update**

Chief Academic Officer, Mr. Bradley makes his presentation on 2022-2023 Winter NWEA updates for all 6 schools reading and math data.

Board Member Andres Emmanuelli asks if the instructional team holds all 6 schools to the same standard in academic excellence.

Board Chair Gilbert Lopez Jr. asks if staff turnover and ADA is higher at Richmond Charter Academy and what assistance is the instructional team giving to the schools.

Mr. Norman welcomes his two teachers to briefly share the changes BJE has made to improve his schools' data.

3rd Grade Teacher, Mr. Devlin shares the implementation of small group learnings, exit tickets, and tracking in his classroom that lead to students' improvements.

5th Grade Teacher, Ms. Galindo shares her implementation of small group learnings, exit tickets, tracking of data, and frequent communication with parents that lead to students' improvements.

Board Member Elisa Gallegos asks how do the teachers transition to small group without students being stigmatized or made fun of for need extra help.

### **B. CEO Report**

Chief Executive Officer, Mrs. Villa makes her presentation on upcoming Black History Month Gallery Walk, OCHS Clean Up on 2/24, Compensation Guidelines, CCSA John Henry, Site Director Visits, Attendance, and OCHS Championship.

Mrs. Villa talks about a potential upcoming Board Retreat in mid to late March.

## **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 8:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Lopez Jr.

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