



Amethod Public Schools

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors

Date and Time

Wednesday May 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Location

1450 Marina Way South
Richmond, CA 94804

The Board of Directors (Board) and employees of Amethod Public Schools will be holding this meeting in person at **1450 Marina Way South, Richmond, CA 94804**.

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Oakland Charter High School- 2433 Coolidge Ave, Oakland, CA 94601
Downtown Charter Academy- 2000 Dennison St, Oakland, CA 94606
Oakland Charter Academy- 4215 Foothill Blvd, Oakland, CA 94601

Participating by Telephone: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 831 8795 4557

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Directors Present

A. Emmanuelli, E. Gallegos, E. Quiroz, G. Lopez Jr., N. Driver

Directors Absent

None

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 May 17, 2023 at 6:07 PM.

B. Record Attendance

Nick Driver arrives late at 7:58pm

C. Announcements

No announcements were made.

D. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

No public comments were made.

II. Closed Session

A. ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (1 Case)

The Board voted in favor unanimously to approve John Henry High Schools' tax repayment plan to West Contra Costa Unified School District.

B. Chief Executive Officer Evaluation

No reportable actions.

III. Consent

A. Approve Minutes

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 04-20-23.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Quiroz Abstain

A. Emmanuelli Aye

N. Driver Aye

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

E. Gallegos Aye

IV. Discussion

A. Chief Executive Officer Report

Board Chair Gilbert moves CEO Report up on the agenda.

Chief Executive Officer Mrs. Villa opens the room up for Downtown Charter Academy science teacher Mr. Adler to present.

Mr. Adler shares his video about NASA coming to Downtown Charter Academy. He says NASA came to the school for 3 days and taught all 4 classes of 8th graders. This is the first year NASA has done this in person due to covid. He shares stories about NASA inspiring his students and they are intrigued about becoming an engineer for NASA.

Mrs. Villa shares that Amethod Public Schools is set to receive a 7.6 million dollar California Community Schools Partnership Program grant if it gets approved by the State Board of Education next week. Mrs. Villa shares graduation is coming up, CEO reception, and Maria Arechiga- Director of Operations and Compliance and Marie Arce Director of

Finance finishing CBO training. Oakland Charter High School is the lead to receive the California Community Schools Partnership Program grant that will be distributed to the 6 schools. Mrs. Villa shares Downtown Charter Academy cultural event, Oakland Charter High School Red Nose Event, and enrollment. She says Oakland Charter Academy will need to reduce a class due to low enrollment, Oakland Charter High School girls basketball team won the championship and Amethod Public Schools is hoping to partner with the FBI to get internship for the students.

Board Vice Chair Nick Driver shares that even with low enrollment, it is great that Amethod Public Schools will receive a grant.

V. Business

A. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Public Hearing- Benito Juarez Elementary, Richmond Charter Academy, John Henry High School, Downtown Charter Academy, Oakland Charter Academy, and Oakland Charter High School.

Mr. Bradley shares LCAP draft and opens the room up for public hearing.

B. Approval of Chief Executive Officer Spending Limit

N. Driver made a motion to Approve Chief Executive Officer Spending Limit.

A. Emmanuelli seconded the motion.

Marie shares that the revised spending limit will allow the CEO to approve up to \$100,000 on a single transaction.

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

Roll Call

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

C. Approval of Safetight Security Intrusion Alarm and Security Cloud VMS Proposals

Facilities Manager David Pearson, Safetight representative Neftali, and Eagle Eye engineer Bob shares presentation on Safetight Security and Eagle Eye.

Neftali says the new intrusion alarm will allow users to arm and disarm remotely. They will be using the current alarms installed to cut down on cost.

Bob shares if the system is down, someone will reboot it on their end.

Neftali shares it will take 10-15 seconds to alert break-ins. Sometimes it can take up to 1 minute to get ahold of officers.

Bob and Neftali shares there is an option for for first responders to share camera footage with the police. There is also a panic button option.

David shares that Safetight acts as other security companies in which they will notify the police during an intrusion. Most of the current alarms are on a 3g system which are outdated. Other alarms are black- meaning they are inoperable. This proposal will be an enhance replacement to the current technology.

Mrs. Villa says that this contract has been vetted by the lawyers. Oakland Charter High School is the only site that has security guards currently.

David shares that in a case of intrusion- the first contact is the site director, second contact is the prevention person, and third contact is the facilities manager. They are trying to find another contact person who is more local to Oakland who will be able to respond right away.

Mrs. Villa says that Downtown Charter Academy, Oakland Charter High School, and Benito Juarez Elementary has been broken into in the past.

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Safetight Security Intrusion Alarm and Security Cloud VMS Proposals.

N. Driver seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

D. Approval of Special Education Contract MOU- Chloe Gia

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve of Special Education Contract MOU- Chloe Gia.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

Mrs. Villa shares that Educational Specialist Chloe Gia will serve as a special education admin to help Amethod Public Schools get back on track. She does not wish to be in house as an employee but she is invested in Amethod Public Schools to help with the special education department. Her contract is on an hourly basis.

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

Roll Call

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

E. Approval of National Teletherapy Master Contract 2023-2024

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve National Teletherapy Master Contract 2023-2024.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Quiroz Aye

N. Driver Aye

A. Emmanuelli Aye

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

E. Gallegos Aye

F. Approval of Revolution Foods Vended Meals Service Agreement Renewal 2023-2024

N. Driver made a motion to Approve Revolution Foods Vended Meals Service Agreement Renewal 2023-2024.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

Maria shares the contract for student meal renewals. The rates have increased.

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

Roll Call

E. Quiroz Aye

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

N. Driver Aye

E. Gallegos Aye

A. Emmanuelli Aye

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 9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Lopez Jr.

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