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Minutes

Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors

Date and Time
Wednesday November 15, 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

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Directors Present
A. Emmanuelli, E. Quiroz, G. Lopez Jr., N. Driver

Directors Absent
E. Gallegos

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 Nov 15, 2023 at 6:06 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Announcements

No announcements were made.

D. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

2 public comments were made.

Neftlali thanks Amethod Public Schools Board for allowing Safetight the opportunity to work together. He provides an update on the current status of the intrusion alarm system, the VPN cloud system, and the challenges they have been facing. He asks for assistance and support in this matter to troubleshoot errors to get the system up again.

Robert Moncada, External Affairs thanks Dr. Lavado a voulnteer in East Oakland who has been offering free physical exams to student athletes. He has been taking in students and families for TB testing, physicals, covid-19 testing, etc in his clinic at no charge.

II. Closed Session

A. Chief Executive Officer Candidate Interviews

Board reconvenes from closed session at 9:26pm. The board has unanimously agreed and tentatively selected a potential CEO candidate for the Amethod Public Schools system. There are a few items and details still pending before the final decision is made.

III. Consent

A. Approval of 09/20/2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 09-20-23.
E. Quiroz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

B. Approval to Rescind Telework Policy

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to Rescind Telework Policy.
E. Quiroz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

C. Approval of Latino Education and Advancement Foundation (LEAF) Consulting Agreement

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to Approve Latino Education and Advancement Foundation (LEAF) Consulting Agreement.
E. Quiroz seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

D. Approval of J&V Integrated Strategies LLC Agreement

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to Approve J&V Integrated Strategies LLC Agreement.
E. Quiroz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

E. Approval of Senior Grad Night Proposals; Oakland Charter High School and John Henry High School

Board Chair, Gilbert asks if John Henry High School's proposal include all students for the Disneyland Trip as it does not indicate on there. He says that the Oakland Charter High School's proposal indicates that all students will be included and it involves fundrasing.

Mrs. Villa suggests the board only approves Oakland Charter High School's proposal and waits for a revision from John Henry High School's proposal in December's board meeting. She said there were some confusion on John Henry High School's team and the proposal was brought to the agenda at a later time. She asks Ms. Cardenas if she had any communication with John Henry High School's leadership team in regards to their proposal to ensure it is as equitable for the students as possible.

Ms. Cardenas responds she did not have communication with them and says Disneyland has approved tickets for 60 Oakland Charter High School students.

Mrs. Villa suggests for the board to approve of both high school's proposal with the caveat that John Henry High School adheres to Oakland Charter High School's proposal to stay aligned.

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to Approve Senior Grad Night Proposals; Oakland Charter High School and John Henry High School.
E. Quiroz seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

IV. Discussion

A. Instructional Update: Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) Results and Goals; Benito Juarez Elementary, Richmond Charter Academy, John Henry High School, Downtown Charter Academy, Oakland Charter Academy, and Oakland Charter High School

Ms. Cardenas, Dean of Instruction from Oakland Charter High School shares her Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium presentation covering ELPAC results, goals, and action plans.

Ms. Lee, Site Director from Downtown Charter Academy shares her Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium presentation covering ELPAC results, goals, and action plans.

Ms. Galindo, Dean of Instruction from Benito Juarez Elementary shares her Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium presentation covering ELPAC results, goals, and action plans.

Mrs. Villa says Oakland Charter Academy, Richmond Charter Academy, and John Henry High School will present next month.

Nick Driver asks Ms. Galindo what curriculum does Benito Juarez Elementary use.

Ms. Galindo says iReady for math and ELA and Lexia Learning for ELD.

Dr. Walker shares celebrations for Benito Juarez Elementary. Over the last moth 73% of students have passed lessons on iReady. 75% of students have passed iReady reading. 73% have passed 70-100% on iReady lessons. For math, 87% have either scored 70-100%. To date, 91% of students are active and engaged on iReady.

Vice Chair, Nick Driver asks Ms. Lee what is the magic potion at Downtown Charter Academy.

Ms. Lee says the team and school culture makes the biggest impact on improvement. The team are happy to work there and experienced teachers make a huge impact. She has lost some experience teachers to different schools and still have a vacancy.

Downtown Charter Academy leaders also train paraprofessionals to become future teachers.

B. Chief Executive Officer Report

Mrs. Villa shares her CEO report covering topcis on parent conferences, Williams reports, professional development with Relay Education, CREDO report, Innovare, and California Community Schools Grant update.

Nicholas Freeman, Co-founder and Chief Growth Officer introduces himself and shares what Innovare does and can do for Amethod Public Schools.

Vice Chair, Nick Driver asks in the future, if Amethod Public Schools will consider merging their schools which can benefit one and other during a tough renewal.

V. 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 10:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Lopez Jr.

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