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## Amethod Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Regular Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors

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##### Date and Time

Wednesday July 31, 2024 at 2:30 PM

##### Location

1450 Marina Way South, Richmond CA 94804

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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**.

Members of the public who wish to attend in person can join us in the Home Office's Board Room at 1450 Marina Way South, Richmond, CA 94804. Or members of the public may meet via the Zoom meeting platform at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83187954557>

We also offer two-way teleconference locations for the public to attend in our Oakland school sites:

Oakland Charter High School- 2365 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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the time allowed for public comment, depending upon the topic and number of persons wishing to be heard.

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**Directors Present**

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

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

G. Barriga, S. Flores, S. Li

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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 Jul 31, 2024 at 9:11 AM.

**B. Record Attendance**

**C. Announcements**

No announcements.

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

No public comments on Non-Agenda Items.

**II. Consent**

**A. Approval of 07/16/2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes**

No public comments.

E. Quiroz made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting of the AMPS Board of Directors on 07-16-24.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

A. Emmanuelli Aye

E. Quiroz Aye

E. Gallegos Aye

**B. Approval of Individual Suspension and Expulsion Policies from the Charter Petition for BJE, RCA, JHHS, DCA, OCA, and OCHS**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Individual Suspension and Expulsion Policies from the Charter Petition for BJE, RCA, JHHS, DCA, OCA, and OCHS.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

E. Gallegos Aye

E. Quiroz Aye

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

A. Emmanuelli Aye

**C. Approval of Combined Suspension and Expulsion Policy for All 6 Schools**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Combined Suspension and Expulsion Policy for All 6 Schools.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Emmanuelli Aye

E. Gallegos Aye

E. Quiroz Aye

G. Lopez Jr. Aye

**D. Approval of Revised School Wellness Policy 2024**

Item removed from this agenda and will be brought back at a future meeting.

**E. Approval of Field Trip Policy**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Field Trip Policy.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**F. Approval of Immunization Policy**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Immunization Policy.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**G. Approval of Graduation Policy**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Graduation Policy.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**H. Approval of the Updated Organization Chart**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve the Updated Organization Chart.

E. Gallegos seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**III. Business**

**A. Approval of Fiscal Policies and Procedures**

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to Approve Fiscal Policies and Procedures.

E. Quiroz seconded the motion.

Chief Operations Officer Adrienne Barnes Reviews Fiscal Policies and Procedures. She goes over Expenditure Approvals for AMPS employees. She reviews bank accounts, credit cards, and cash policies, and suggest we diversify our assets. She goes over receipts and receivables, as well as position control and payroll.

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

**Roll Call**

E. Gallegos Aye  
A. Emmanuelli Aye  
E. Quiroz Aye

**B. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators (CL-500) for Downtown Charter Academy**

E. Gallegos made a motion to Approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators (CL-500) for Downtown Charter Academy.

E. Quiroz seconded the motion.

A standard form that has to be approved by the board annually when there is a need.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**C. Approval of Celebrations Group Inc. Master Contract**

E. Quiroz made a motion to Approve Celebrations Group Inc. Master Contract.

A. Emmanuelli seconded the motion.

Mary Busby presents the Celebrations Group Inc Master Contract that hires speech pathologist, sped teachers, counselors, school psychologist. They are highly trained professionals. They are subcontracted individuals who have been interviewed by Mary and she has picked those that she felt would fit in with the AMPS Vision. This is a one year contract, 203 students are being served.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**D. Approval of BJE Approval of McGraw Hill Wonders ELA /ELD 3-Year Contract**

E. Gallegos made a motion to approve BJE Approval of McGraw Hill Wonders ELA /ELD 3-Year Contract.

A. Emmanuelli seconded the motion.

Maurice Williams present McGraw Hill Wonders ELA /ELD 3-Year Contract and mentions it is time to adopt new curriculum. This will be a full system that contains online access, books, student materials, teaching materials, and integrated plans for the students. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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

**IV. Closed Session**

**A. Conference with Labor Negotiator**

No reportable actions.

**V. Open Session Information/Action**

**A. Board Approval/Ratification of Compensation Comparability Study for Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Position**

A. Emmanuelli made a motion to approve /ratify of Compensation Comparability Study for Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Position.  
E. Gallegos seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

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

**B. Board Chair: Required Oral Report Regarding Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Employment Contract**

Board Chair reports Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Employment Contract.

**C. Board Ratification/Approval of Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Employment Contract**

E. Gallegos made a motion to Ratify/Approve of Chief Strategy and Compliance Officer Employment Contract for Maria Arechiga.  
A. Emmanuelli seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

E. Gallegos Aye  
A. Emmanuelli Aye

**Roll Call**

E. Quiroz      Aye  
G. Lopez Jr.    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 4:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Lopez Jr.

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