

Amethod Public Schools

Minutes

Special Meeting of the AMPS Nominating Committee

Date and Time

Tuesday April 29, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

1450 Marina Way South, Richmond, CA 94804

The Nominating Committee of 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:

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Committee Members Present

J. Lerma, P. Hanley, R. Ornelas

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

A. Barnes, S. Li

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Ornelas called a meeting of the Nominating Committee of Amethod Public Schools to order on Tuesday Apr 29, 2025 at 6:02 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Announcements

No announcements.

D. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

No public comments.

II. Consent

A. Approval of 4/16/2025 Special Meeting of the AMPS Nominating Committee Minutes

P. Hanley made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Meeting of the AMPS Nominating Committee on 04-16-25.

J. Lerma seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Ornelas Aye

J. Lerma Aye

P. Hanley Aye

III. Nominating Committee

A. Discussion and Action to Recommend to the AMPS Board New Board Member(s)

Adrienne, Interim CEO, shared that the Nominating Committee, along with herself, met individually with three board candidates. Davis Leung, a former board member at Urban Montessori, came highly recommended. He brings a strong background in finance and has experience navigating boards through financial challenges. Margie DiGiorgio is knowledgeable in governance and instruction with a solid foundation in academics. She has also previously served on a board. Kala Stepter brings both academic and operational experience, having worked in district and charter schools. Her extensive teaching experience across grade levels positions her well to address current organizational challenges.

Board member Peter noted that all three are strong candidates. He emphasized Davis's direct experience with finances and his readiness to take on challenges. He also praised Margie's instructional and academic data expertise and her board service. Kala, he said, stands out for her wide-ranging teaching experience and willingness to step in where needed.

Rodolfo and Jorge added that each candidate brings unique strengths that will help fill key gaps on the current AMPS board.

J. Lerma made a motion to nominate Davis Leung, Margie DiGiorgio, and Kala Stepter to the AMPS Board of Directors.

P. Hanley seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Ornelas Aye

J. Lerma Aye

P. Hanley Aye

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Lerma made a motion to adjourn meeting.

P. Hanley seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. Lerma Aye

P. Hanley Aye

R. Ornelas Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Ornelas

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